

# \$250,000 GOES UP IN SMOKE

## Foreman Ingler and 12 Other Grand Jurors Put In Some Improper Bills

Foreman Charles L. Ingler, Secretary Mailler Searles and eleven other members of the grand jury that has just adjourned after being in session for a year, presented to the county for payment claims for services which, it is alleged, they had not rendered.

The claims were called to the attention of the Board of Supervisors by County Expert John M. Sabin, and the board refused to pay the members of the grand jury money to which, he says, they had no right. The claims were filed August 5, but the facts have just become public.

The eleven other members mentioned were W. T. Eisfeldt, C. M. Verrill, J. L. Bromley, D. W. Martin, Philo Mills, A. Kretz, T. Stevenson, F. Mitchell, A. Rogers, George Adams and J. B. John. Each of them, together with Ingler and Searles, put in two separate claims for the same grand jury duty and mileage on the dates April 10, 17, 22, 24.

The amounts were petty. Ingler wanted \$9.20 and Searles the same amount. The other amounts asked for were about the same. In all \$108.65 too much was asked for and Sabin cut the bills by this amount.

Every claim put in by these grand jurors was sworn to by the grand juror presenting the claim. He swore that it was true and correct when he made it. Furthermore, Foreman Ingler and Secretary Searles attested that each bill was true and correct. The claims are made out in the handwriting of Secretary Searles.

## \$2000 IN JEWELS RICH HAUL OF BURGLARS FOR UNBECOMING CONDUCT

### Fruitvale Home Ransacked While Family Is Away. Widow and Anonymous Letter Figure in Case.

While the family of H. A. Pfeiffer, a Fruitvale real estate dealer, was at a Christmas celebration in San Francisco last night, the Pfeiffer home, at 1137 East Sixteenth street, Fruitvale, was entered by burglars, who secured jewelry to the value of \$2000.

The Pfeiffer family was still ignorant at noon today that the burglary had taken place, as the house was not occupied by it last night, and Pfeiffer, his wife and children were still away.

Neighbors saw this morning that the house had been entered by a door, and investigated. They found that the premises had been ransacked, everything of value having been taken.

Pfeiffer and his wife were the owners of several large diamonds, which were well-known in Fruitvale society. Report was made this morning to Sheriff Barnett, who is investigating the case with Deputy Sheriff Kelly.

## THOUSANDS SUSPENDED

### S. P. Lays Off Big Force for Eight Days.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 26.—An order now in effect throws thousands of Southern Pacific employees on the southern division out of work for eight days. Shops in this city and other points on the system have been closed and all work on the roadbed has been suspended, save the occupation of such labor as is necessary to keep the motive power, rolling stock and track in condition to handle ordinary traffic.

General Superintendent Ingram says the shutdown was made effective because workmen are so efficient during the holiday season that at other times the work in the shops and on the tracks was suspended for a period beginning December 25 and ending with the morning of January 2. When it is announced the usual activity will be resumed.

Ingram denies a report that it is the intention of the company to reduce the number of work days from six to four in each week. "That time will be resumed after New Year's Day," he says.

## WILL TELEPHONE FROM DEPTHS OF THE OCEAN

PARIS, Dec. 26.—Following elaborate experiments to prevent the recurrence of a catastrophe, the submarine vessel, the minister of the navy has issued orders that all submarines be fitted out with telephone buns which, in the case of accident, will permit of communication with the surface.



## HOLIDAY TRADE ENORMOUS, SAY MERCHANTS

### Oakland Business Men Declare Xmas Shopping Was Wonderful.

Nothing can be more gratifying to the residents of Oakland and of Alameda County generally than to learn that the volume of the holiday trade in this city this year has been greater than any previous year, with the exception of 1906. That year, however, presented such exceptional conditions as to put it, of necessity, in a class by itself, and not properly available for comparisons. But the merchants of Oakland declare that during the past three or four weeks the Christmas shopping was wonderful, and exceeded their fondest expectations. They state, generally, that the season proved the best they ever had, in spite of the abnormal conditions which prevailed.

**BANNER DAYS.** Certain firms, on particular days just prior to Christmas did a larger trade than they had ever done in a single day. This state of affairs is the best proof of the excellence of financial conditions which prevail in this city. It is in the retail stores that the financial pulse of the public is best felt, and developments have amply proved the monetary health of the community and its growth and progress.

**ASTONISHING TRADE.** Charles G. Monroe, acting president of the firm of Taft & Penney, said this morning:

"Our holiday trade has simply astonished us. We had the best Christmas trade of any year, with the exception of 1906, and that, even allowing for the extraordinary conditions, was only slightly in advance of this season. We are delighted. It shows plainly the excellent condition of affairs in Oakland, and proves that the stories of financial stringency were greatly exaggerated. Oaklanders may well be proud of these facts. Traveling men who have just returned from Seattle, Portland, Los Angeles and other cities tell me that the business done there was nothing in comparison to that done here."

**PROVES CITY'S GROWTH.** David H. McLaughlin, secretary and treasurer of the firm of C. J. Heeseman, said:

"We had a splendid holiday trade. It exceeded by far, any year except last year, and approached that year's business within a small percentage. It proved how rapidly the city is growing, and upon what a firm financial basis we are."

**REMARKABLE RESULTS.** Albert S. Larson, of the firm of H. C. Capwell & Co., said:

"Merchants are unanimous in declaring that this year's holiday trade was wonderful. Our business on several days previous to Christmas was the largest ever done in a single day in this city. We came within 10 per cent of the volume of business done during the holidays of 1906, which is the most remarkable thing of all. No one ever expected to touch that year, even if conditions had been normal. It is cause for congratulation that affairs in Oakland show the wonderful growth and progress of the city."

**EXCEEDS FONDST HOPES.** Hugo Abrahamson of Abrahamson's spoke in the same strain. He said:

"Our holiday trade was splendid. It exceeded our greatest hopes." Fred Kahn, of Kahn Bros., echoed the sentiments expressed by the other merchants. He said:

"Our business for the entire year of 1937 has been larger than that of any previous year. Our holiday trade was enormous. When you consider what conditions had been, and what we might have reasonably been led to expect, it is nothing short of marvelous. The way in which the public spent its money this Christmas proves plainly that Oakland is in excellent condition."

## NOT INSANITY, BUT TEMPER CAUSED WOMAN TO SLAY, SAYS HYNES

### Attorney Declares Glover's Death Planned in Cold Blood.

Not insanity, but temper; not love and jealousy worked up into a murderous frenzy, but hatred, cold-blooded and planning, was responsible for the killing of James F. Glover by Olive Scully, according to the argument made to the jury today by Assistant District Attorney Hynes in the trial of the woman for murder.

"She had prepared to kill him," Hynes declared. "She had purchased the vitriol several days before and was seeking an opportunity to use it on him. She tried to pick a quarrel, and she did pick a quarrel when she mentioned the names of"

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OLIVE SCULLY, ON TRIAL FOR THE MURDER OF JAMES F. GLOVER, AND PROSECUTOR W. H. L. HYNES, WHO DEMANDS HER LIFE AT THE HANDS OF THE JURY.

## CAR HITS WAGON; MAN IS KILLED

### Two Others Fatally Injured in the Crash of Vehicles.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 26.—One man was instantly killed, one fatally injured and two others seriously hurt early this morning when a fast-going electric car on the Pacific Electric line struck a wagon containing four men at the Anaheim road crossing, near Wilmington.

Dead: HUGH McCULLOUGH, Long Beach.

Injured: Scott, crushed skull, will die.

H. L. Duncan, Long Beach, son of a San Francisco police sergeant, broken leg and other injuries.

Victor Stein, broken arm and bruised back.

## KILLS WIFE AND NABBED BY SONS

### Teacher Slays Woman and Pleads Guilty.

DEDHAM, Mass., Dec. 26.—"Not guilty" was the plea entered by Dr. Walter Raleigh Amesbury of Hyde Park today, when formally charged in court with the murder of his wife, Anna Reese Amesbury, a teacher of music at Rossmore College, Salem, Va., at Hyde Park, yesterday. The hearing was continued a week.

Dr. Amesbury, who had been estranged from his wife, called upon her yesterday and begged her to live with him again. Upon her refusal, he shot her.

The two grown-up sons grappled with the father, bound him and held him for the police.

## GIRL AND ESCORT SHOT BY FIANCE

### Jealous Sweetheart Puts Bullets Into Young Woman and Companion.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Theresa Zaitnaki, 22 years old, was shot and instantly killed, and Victoria Stokes, 19 years old, was shot through the arm by Frank Kozolski, fiance of the Zaitnaki girl, while returning from a dance here last night.

Kozolski was arrested. The motive for the shooting is not known to the police.

## 3 FIREMEN HURT BY FALLING WALLS

### Great Crowd Sees Biggest Blaze Since Great Disaster.

(Special to The Tribune.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26.—Three firemen were injured and damage to the amount of a quarter of a million of dollars was sustained in a fire which broke out in the Dunbar Rubber Company's place of business on Mission street, near First street, at 1:15 o'clock this morning.

Special Policeman Dethle of the Morse patrol was the first to discover the blaze, which is supposed to have been caused by the crossing of electric wires on the second floor of the rubber company's warehouse.

Three alarms were turned in and fifteen fire companies were soon at work in an effort to extinguish the fire. It had

gained considerable headway, however, and spread to the machinery house of Wooden & Little, Mangrum & Otter, a tile and mantle firm, and the Eccles & Smith Machinery Company. All of these places were considerably damaged, but the rubber company suffered most, its warehouse being burned to the ground.

The conflagration was a picturesque one, lighting up the sky and attracting a great crowd to the scene, which the police had difficulty in controlling. During the progress of the fire several firemen had narrow escapes from injury by falling walls. Battalion Chief Farley, Hoseman Edward Gowne and Lieutenant E. F. Downs were slightly hurt when the rear wall of the Dunbar Rubber Company's place fell near where they were working.

The damage, about two-thirds of which is covered by insurance, is estimated as follows: Mangrum & Otter Company, \$75,000; Dunbar Rubber Company, \$107,000; Wooden & Little, \$50,000; Eccles & Smith Company, \$3000; Billy Powell's saloon, \$1000. Total, \$250,000.

## WEATHER REPORT.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26.—San Francisco and vicinity: Rain tonight and Friday; fresh southerly winds. Santa Clara valley and Sacramento valley: Rain tonight and Friday; fresh south winds. San Joaquin valley: Rain, warmer tonight; fresh south wind; rain Friday. Southern California: Probably rain tonight and Friday.

## GUARDIANSHIP AUCTION SALE.

We have been instructed to sell the household effects of Mrs. Fannie Lawton at 571 Sixteenth street, near San Pablo avenue, Oakland, Saturday, December 26, at 11 a. m. Comprising in part, very fine furniture, carpets, lace curtains, bed room pictures, extension table, sideboard, chairs, bedroom suites, iron bed, folding beds, bedding, chiffoniers, kitchen furniture, range, heavy heater, etc. All must and will be sold.

J. A. MUNRO & CO., Auctioneers, 1007 Clay street, near Eleventh street, Oakland.

## TO CELEBRATE THE COMING OF THE NEW YEAR IN OAKLAND

Let's all celebrate the coming of the New Year. Tell the whole world of Oakland's prosperity. Last year THE TRIBUNE assisted in raising a fund from which there were bands on each corner of the downtown section and plenty of red fire, fireworks and fun. THE TRIBUNE will start the fund this year with a subscription of \$25 and has been assured by leading merchants and those interested in Oakland's growth of a hearty support. It means the turning over of the city on New Year's eve to general jollification and fun. Bands, music and fireworks.







# What Is Said of THE TRIBUNE'S Great Annual Edition

THE annual Christmas edition of THE OAKLAND TRIBUNE, which appeared last Sunday, has evoked the praise of residents of this city, Berkeley and Alameda, as well as those of San Francisco and other places where this paper is largely circulated. On all sides may be heard utterances of commendation and applause, and expressions of congratulations to THE TRIBUNE for the excellence of the edition and the manner in which it reflects the spirit of Greater Oakland, the spirit of eternal progress.

These expressions of praise and goodwill come from men in every walk of life, who declare their pride in Oakland and in what THE TRIBUNE has done and ever will do to promote the best interests of the community. Here are some of the opinions expressed:

**JUDGE T. W. HARRIS**, of the Superior Court: "I had time last Sunday and I improved the opportunity in reading the great paper which THE TRIBUNE issued that day. I was surprised at the amount of useful, practical, entertaining and development articles which it contained. It seems to me that the paper was designed to satisfy the taste of every person in the community. I know that there was nothing in it which I did not appreciate and I am led to believe that was the case with a number of other persons whom I have heard speak on the subject."

**FRED BECKER**, Grand Central Market: "I have been a reader of THE TRIBUNE for many years. During that time that paper has gotten out a number of fine Christmas editions. Even when the city was smaller the annuals which THE TRIBUNE got out were very interesting. In later years THE TRIBUNE has been getting out demonstrative issues toward the close of the year. They have been good ones, too, but I think the last one is the best that I have ever seen. I would like to see thousands of copies of it sent to the East. I am sure that it would have a beneficial effect."

**GEORGE CHASE**, ex-County Treasurer: "I have been a subscriber to THE TRIBUNE for a number of years and I can say that I think that the copy of that paper which appeared on last Sunday was the finest I ever received. It was instructive and interesting and at the same time contained a great deal of information which set forth the advantages of this section of the State."

**WILLIAM E. DEAN**, law and collection: "There was never a finer paper circulated in this county than the Christmas TRIBUNE. It was a wonderful publication and was so considered by every person with whom I conversed about it. It had all the appearance of a metropolitan journal and set forth the fact that Oakland is now a metropolis. I read all the literary matter and sketches in it and then I compared the news items with those in the paper from San Francisco and found that there was not a paper there which covered the field more thoroughly than did THE TRIBUNE. The news of the world was there in a most magnificent manner."

**A. H. BREED**, dealer in real estate: "The Christmas number of THE TRIBUNE was really a revelation of what may be done by people who know their business and who are willing to do the most for the community in which they reside. For years, I used to compare the great papers which used to come to us from San Francisco, with the little papers which we were publishing here at the time and I came to the conclusion that we were on a little town after all. But those little towns are no more. We now have a metropolis and THE TRIBUNE every day, and especially on last Sunday, proves that fact. The paper was admirable in every respect. I found matter there which I knew would be of interest to a great variety of people and I also found that which I know was of interest to the business men of the community. The paper will be most serviceable in letting the people abroad know what kind of an enterprising and go-aheadative community we have here."

**L. C. WALKER**, 2250 Fulton Street, Berkeley: "More enterprise and progress has been shown by THE TRIBUNE in getting out their annual edition than has been displayed by any paper in the West. It is a work of art, and a credit to the community."

**W. P. REED**, 2124 Kittredge Street, Berkeley: "Certainly the annual edition of THE TRIBUNE is a representative of the West. I am sending them to all parts of the country."

**SERGEANT WOOD** of the Berkeley police force: "One of the best Christmas editions I have ever seen was that gotten out by THE TRIBUNE. It not only shows the growth of Oakland during the past year but does ample justice to Berkeley and the other cities of Alameda county as well."

**C. W. COUGHRAN**, 2400 Bancroft Way, Berkeley: "When a paper displays such public spirit and broadness as did THE TRIBUNE in get-

ting out its annual edition for 1917 it certainly deserves the support of the entire community."

**C. W. CLOUGH**, Editor of the Berkeley Reporter: "THE TRIBUNE management has shown more than its usual enterprise this year in getting out the annual edition. It is a paper which any newspaper might well be proud of."

**DR. IRVING W. HIGGINS**: "Yes, I have read the annual number of the TRIBUNE, and can say without exaggeration that it is one of the best I have ever seen. It is especially valuable to the real estate interests of Alameda county."

**LOUIS FEIGENBAUM**, with S. J. Sill Company, Berkeley: "When THE TRIBUNE does anything it usually does it right. The same may be said of their annual edition for 1917. It represents the interests of this county without exaggeration."

**E. E. NEWTON**, Secretary of North Berkeley Improvement Club: "We are glad to see such enterprise as has been shown by THE TRIBUNE in getting out an annual edition representing the larger interests of Alameda county. The paper will be a real benefit to this section."

**M. P. W. ALBEE**, real estate, Berkeley: "Great care and a nice regard for the truth have made the annual edition of THE TRIBUNE one that is particularly valuable to the real estate fraternity."

**CHIEF OF POLICE VOLLMER**, of Berkeley: "THE TRIBUNE'S annual was positively the greatest paper ever issued in the State. The paper speaks volumes for the wonderful progress of Oakland and Alameda county."

**VICTOR J. ROBERTSON**, President North Berkeley Improvement Club: "It was a wonderful paper."

**E. D. BURROWS**, Secretary of the Berkeley Chamber of Commerce: "THE TRIBUNE is a wonderful newspaper and its annual Christmas number will take rank among great newspaper issues in the United States."

**REDMOND C. STAATS**, town attorney of Berkeley: "I have watched THE TRIBUNE grow steadily and it is a pleasure to testify to the merits of the annual."

**C. F. HEDEMARK**, South Berkeley real estate: "THE TRIBUNE'S annual is a tonic for people who lack faith in California."

**NELS OLSEN**, capitalist and Town Trustee of Berkeley: "THE TRIBUNE is a great paper. Its annual number ought to be sent broadcast by everyone who has acquaintances or friends in the East."

**FRED CONNER**, Town Trustee of Berkeley: "Strictly up-to-date."

**E. K. COLE**, cashier of South Berkeley Bank: "The paper is in itself evidence of the facts about Alameda county."

**GEORGE N. BAXTER**, President Berkeley National Bank: "Nothing could beat it."

**E. P. CARLSON**, capitalist, South Berkeley: "THE TRIBUNE keeps ahead of the Alameda cities and that requires wonderful enterprise and energy."

**POSTMASTER CLARENCE MERRILL**: "My heartiest congratulations for a great paper."

**FRED FOSS**, lumber merchant: "THE TRIBUNE deserves more praise than I know how to give."

**GEORGE BRUNS**, West Berkeley Postmaster: "Up-to-date and full of a story worth reading."

**DR. FRANK WOOLSEY**: "THE TRIBUNE emphasizes its claim again as the great paper."

**FRANK ELWELL**, engineer and bridge contractor: "The story of Oakland was properly told in THE TRIBUNE."

**ROBERT McDUFFIE**, Mason, McRuffie Co.: "A regular Bible of good things about the State."

**HENRY WILSON**, Attorney: "I have been watching Christmas numbers of papers for many years, and I have never seen a more practical one than that gotten out by THE TRIBUNE for Sunday last."

**ARTHUR WELLS**, photographer: "I was interested in the Christmas TRIBUNE from the standpoint of an artist, and I must say that, in that respect there was evidently more attention paid to that feature of a great newspaper in the Christmas TRIBUNE than there has ever been displayed in any paper ever issued in this county."

**JOHN KEELY**, expressman: "I have been a subscriber to THE TRIBUNE for more than six years and I have grown to like it very well. I received more information and pleasure in reading the Christmas number than I ever did from any other paper that I have taken."

**CHANQUET BROTHERS**, wines and liquors: "We were greatly pleas-

## THESE ADVERTISING FIGURES TELL THEIR OWN STORY

Total Amount of Advertising in THE TRIBUNE, the San Francisco Call and the San Francisco Bulletin for the LAST SIX MONTHS.

	TRIBUNE	CALL	BULLETIN
1917			
June, inches.....	55,736	30,210	17,483
July, inches.....	38,966	28,695	19,629
August, inches.....	40,270	29,129	19,094
September, inches.....	42,437	29,702	24,357
October, inches.....	45,811	31,513	26,263
November, inches.....	39,286	27,912	22,648
Total.....	262,506	177,161	129,474

In other words THE TRIBUNE printed during the last six months **85,345** inches more of advertising than the San Francisco Call, being an average of **14,224** inches per month more than the San Francisco Call.

During the last six months THE TRIBUNE printed **133,032** inches more of advertising than the San Francisco Bulletin, being an average of **22,172** inches per month more than the San Francisco Bulletin.

ed with THE TRIBUNE which we received last Sunday. It was as good as the best of the San Francisco papers. We, of course, did not have time to read it all through, but we read a great deal of it and found it very interesting. We have sent a number of copies to our old home in San Francisco as also to other places in the country."

**WILLIAM HENNESSEY**, Attorney: "I expected THE TRIBUNE would not be behind this year and the copy of THE TRIBUNE which I received on Christmas justified my belief. I do not believe that any person could reasonably ask for a more entertaining paper. I don't think that there could have been designed a better paper for the purpose of letting people in the East know what kind of a city and a county we have in this section of California."

**HENRY WELLS**, Painter: "I was away on Christmas when my Christmas TRIBUNE was delivered but the paper was kept for me and I am awfully glad that it was. I would not have missed it for a dollar. I have not as yet been able to read it but I am taking it in by degrees. It will keep and it seems to improve with age."

**OWEN MARTIN**, Fruitster: "I make it a practice to send to my friends in the East, the Christmas numbers of all papers and I am happy to say that they have attracted no small amount of attention to this section of the State. I know several people who have come here to reside as a consequence. I am still reading another copy of the Christmas TRIBUNE and I don't think that any person could ask for a better paper."

**HARVEY DARNEAL**, Court Reporter: "The Christmas TRIBUNE brought me more than the usual amount of interesting reading for the holidays. It was also very complete in its display of the development of Alameda county. There is a great deal of benefit to be derived from a publication of this kind for the reason that after it is read here it may be sent to friends in other parts of the country and it is always read by those who receive it under those circumstances."

**MOSES P. O'BRIEN**, Attorney: "This is my second Christmas in Oakland and as I am naturally inclined to become acquainted with persons, things and places around my home, I have become a regular patron of THE TRIBUNE. It is always a good paper but, on Christmas, it was a great paper. I know larger cities in the East which have never attempted to get out such an issue. If they had, they would not have been able to do it. The paper spoke for Oakland in a manner which was unmistakable and when it is seen elsewhere it will serve to impress people with the fact that there is a large city in this vicinity which is worthy of more than passing attention. I am sending a number of copies of THE TRIBUNE to friends in the East and there is no doubt in my mind as to how those copies will be appreciated."

**WILLIAM SMITH**, Police Court Clerk: "It was an edition to be proud of. THE OAKLAND TRIBUNE stands high in the front rank. I don't believe a better Christmas annual was ever issued."

**CAPTAIN OF POLICE LYNCH**: "It was a splendid edition. The history of the city was ably told and much credit is due the management for the publication which is bound to be of benefit to us all. Christmas editions such as THE TRIBUNE'S de-

more than anything else to advertise Oakland and to bring people here."

**SERGEANT OF POLICE BERT CURTIS**: "The Christmas edition of THE TRIBUNE was a triumph. It was a newsy, well-prepared paper and reflects credit on the management and the city at large. It will prove a good advertisement for the State at large. I read it through with much satisfaction."

**SERGEANT OF POLICE BROWN**: "THE OAKLAND TRIBUNE'S Christmas edition surpassed anything of its kind heretofore attempted. Its general appearance was strikingly good and it was comprehensive and interesting. THE TRIBUNE is entitled to much praise for its enterprise."

**LOU AGNEW**, Clerk to Chief of Police: "I was much interested in the edition. It was well prepared and ably reviewed the history of the city for the past year. Its make up was excellent, and makes residents of the city feel proud to know that such journalistic enterprise exists here."

**ARTHUR GOLDSWORTHY**, Assistant Manager Municipal Light Plant, Alameda: "I was greatly impressed with the fine edition and it is a good thing that Alameda county can have such an excellent paper as THE TRIBUNE to extol its work."

**CHARLES DRAGOO**, Deputy Coroner, Alameda: "The illustrations used in the Greater Oakland edition of THE TRIBUNE gave an excellent idea of what was doing in and about Oakland. The paper is the best that I have ever seen in Alameda county."

**FRED DORSAZ**, Photographer: "There was never a better paper gotten out in this county than the Christmas TRIBUNE. If there was I never saw or heard of it."

**FRANK HALLY**, Real Estate Dealer, Alameda: "THE TRIBUNE special certainly was a fine annual, and gives a lot of information about the county. The paper certainly is the best of the evening editions and deserves great praise."

**HENRY AKESON**, Liquor Dealer, Alameda: "Alameda county is well advertised in the Greater Oakland edition of THE TRIBUNE. I was glad to see that much attention was paid to all the bay cities and though some of us may not believe in consolidation, we can appreciate the paper just as well."

**HENRY SCHNEIDER**, Stationery Dealer, Alameda: "We had a great demand for THE TRIBUNE Sunday morning and even now many people come in to get a copy. I read the issue and it certainly was well done in every department. THE TRIBUNE is getting a great circulation over here."

**CHARLES W. PETRY**, President of the Central Labor Council: "It was a great thing for Oakland and showed the spirit of enterprise. THE TRIBUNE and the editorial staff"

**GEORGE T. HAWLEY**, of Hawley & Stuart: "Splendid in every respect. It is a credit to the City of Oakland. The more widely the Christmas edition is circulated the better will be the city and county for the influence wielded by the annual."

**N. S. MULLAN**, Manager of Key Route Inn: "It was a fine edition and was a great boost for Oakland."

**BROTHER JOSEPH**, of St. Mary's College: "The Christmas edition of THE TRIBUNE is another evidence of the progressiveness in a progressive city; up-to-date, unique, clean-cut and a boom to Alameda county is a gen-

eral resume of the merits of THE TRIBUNE'S great edition of 1917."

**JAMES L. MCCARTHY**, Undertaker: "It's a grand work. The best I've ever seen. It's done a great deal for the county of Alameda and the city of Oakland."

**ALBERT S. DAY**, Real Estate and Insurance: "It was a very creditable edition to the City of Oakland. It was very well worked up and cleverly arranged."

**W. W. SHANNON**: "I was very much pleased with THE TRIBUNE'S annual. It was intensely interesting and instructive."

**GUS COHEN**, Manager of the Bell Theater: "THE TRIBUNE'S annual deserves the highest praise. It is one of the finest publications that I have ever seen and is a great advertiser for Greater Oakland."

**BYRON RUTLEY**, Tailor: "It was splendidly arranged and edited. The finest press work and art coloring I have ever seen. It is a credit to the City of Oakland."

**LANDERS STEVENS**, Actor: "Worthy of a Greater Oakland! It is a great big paper for a great big city. The edition has ably shown the superior growth of the City of Oakland, and gives a perfect description of all the resources of Alameda county."

**H. L. BAKER**, Mining: "THE TRIBUNE'S annual was a great credit to THE TRIBUNE PUBLISHING COMPANY and the efforts in getting out such a paper should alone be appreciated. It is one of the most complete records of Alameda county's progress that I have ever seen. The managers of THE TRIBUNE are to be congratulated upon its excellent work."

**DR. TODD**: "It was very nice, indeed, and extremely interesting. The best annual edition ever compiled by any publication company. THE TRIBUNE'S annual will awaken Eastern manufacturers and merchants to the realization that Oakland is a great commercial city."

**A. A. MOORE**, Attorney: "A great success and a fine edition worthy of a Greater Oakland."

**DR. H. B. MEHRMANN**: "It is the greatest boom Oakland has ever had and excels in generalities and the description of the resources of Alameda county. It is a great edition in every respect and worthy of the highest praise from the citizens of Oakland."

**DANIEL CROWLEY**, of Burtchell & Crowley: "I want to thank Mr. Dargie for his annual publication. It was a surprise to the entire City of Oakland. It was just what Alameda county wanted: a great edition showing the resources, rapid and solid growth of Oakland. It is the most comprehensive account of Alameda county that I have ever seen."

**O. G. NEWHALL**, of the Eastern Market: "Every one in Oakland should be proud of THE TRIBUNE'S Christmas paper. A finer edition could not be gotten up. It was first-class in every respect."

**AUSTIN LEWIS**, Attorney-at-law: "The Christmas edition of THE TRIBUNE was certainly an interesting paper devoted to the up-building of Oakland. Those who have friends in the East should not neglect to send them a copy."

**REV. ALBERT PALMER**, Pastor of the Plymouth Congregational Church: "The annual edition of THE TRIBUNE left nothing to be desired. It

will, without a doubt, be a great benefit to Oakland."

**DR. E. R. TAIT**, 1003 1/2 Broadway: "The Christmas edition of THE TRIBUNE was the most interesting annual edition I have ever read. It gives a most interesting account of the growth of Greater Oakland and I have already sent many copies to friends in the East."

**COUNCILMAN F. F. JACKSON**: "It was certainly an excellent edition and reflects great credit upon the management."

**DR. C. F. JARVIS**, 1003 1/2 Broadway: "This edition proves that THE TRIBUNE is the best evening paper in the State. Every page of the special issue is improving and the paper will be a great benefit to Oakland."

**WILLIAM BERCOVICH**: "Nothing could be better for Oakland than this interesting issue, showing its growth and its wonderful possibilities."

**DON MORRIS**, Clothier, 1062 Washington Street: "I think this annual of THE TRIBUNE reflects credit upon the city and is worthy of the highest praise."

**ALAMEDA**, Dec. 26 -- That the Greater Oakland edition of THE TRIBUNE is the best annual ever printed in Alameda county is the opinion in this city. City officials and other well known citizens are greatly pleased with the edition. The newspaper stands sold more TRIBUNES Sunday than all other papers combined. The paper is receiving the highest commendation on every side for the benefit this city will derive from the edition. Here are a few of the statements of well-known Alamedans:

**WILLIAM ZINGG**: "There must have been a lot of work to get the paper out, but the result certainly was ample satisfaction for the energy and money put into it. THE TRIBUNE is certainly in demand."

**COUNCILMAN B. L. FISHER**: "The special edition was certainly a great paper and had more about Alameda county in it than the oldest resident ever knew. Alameda was given a prominent place and the members

of the Council realize that the from such an edition are lasting

**FRANK BROWNING**, City Clerk: "The special was certainly a fine edition and must have sold fast. I know a number of persons who wanted to get it at noon and the stands were all sold out. The information about the county one could see was carefully compiled and there are none of us who could not get some valuable information from the paper."

**JOSEPH HALTON**, of Krieg & Halton: "THE TRIBUNE is surely making great progress and is one of the best evening papers I ever read. It is a good thing for the county to have such a progressive paper."

**JUDGE ELMER E. JOHNSON**: "The annual was a great paper. The make-up of the edition was fine and the illustrations gave an excellent impression of the richness and prosperity of the county."

**J. E. HADLEY**, Police Sergeant: "THE TRIBUNE is certainly a great evening paper and it is a proud boast of the county that such a paper is working for its advancement."

**A. P. SMILEY**, of Smiley & Gallagher: "There can be no doubt that THE TRIBUNE is the leading evening paper of the coast and its Alameda circulation shows it is appreciated here. The special was excellent."

**COUNCILMAN E. J. PROBST**: "There is nothing like a live paper and I am glad that the special was such a great success. THE TRIBUNE is the best evening paper without any doubt."

**EDWARD DEAN**, of the Park Hotel: "The special edition of THE TRIBUNE is surely worth keeping for reference as the maps and reading matter give one all the information of the county that he needs."

**FRED J. CROLL**, Deputy Auditor: "The Greater Oakland edition is a great issue. In the office all the employees had to get a copy and one is being saved for reference."

**W. J. EAGAN**: "A printer realizes the amount of work that must have been done to get the paper out and its appearance was pleasing."

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## AGED WOMAN HELPLESS AND IN DYING CONDITION WATERS PARALYTIC STROKE; POWERLESS TO SUMMON AID Former Resident of Berkeley Now Lies in Roosevelt Hos- pital Critically Ill.

BERKELEY, Dec. 26.—Helpless and partially unconscious from a sudden stroke of paralysis, Mrs. Catherine Metz was found Tuesday night in her cottage at 2337 Haste street, and is now at the point of death in Roosevelt Hospital. Mrs. Metz, who is 88 years of age, has lived alone for many years and it was the care and watchfulness of the woman by her neighbor, Mrs. J. C. Love of 2332 Channing way, that undoubtedly prevented her from perishing because of want of nourishment during her helplessness.

Mrs. Love discovered early Wednesday afternoon that the milk left on Mrs. Metz' doorstep in the morning had not been taken in. She at once surmised that something had befallen the aged woman and when she failed to obtain any response to the doorbell she communicated the facts to the police.

**BROKE IN DOOR.**  
Accompanied by Mrs. W. J. Seaborn of Dana and Haste streets, Policemen Wilkoff and Lee went to the cottage, and after breaking in the door, Mrs. Metz was discovered on her bed, apparently in the throes of death.  
Dr. Frank Simpson was called and ordered the patient taken to the hospital. The police and the hospital people have been unable to discover the address of relatives of Mrs. Metz. Some of them are known to live in San Francisco. The woman has been a resident of Berkeley for about twenty years. For the greater portion of this time she has lived alone.

## Aggregation of College Singers Off on Extensive Tour of South Consists of Combined Musical Organizations of University, Including De Koven and Glee Clubs.

BERKELEY, Dec. 26.—One of the largest delegations of singers which ever went out through the State to represent the University of California left this morning for Los Angeles and an extended tour of the South. The aggregation consisted of the combined college musical organizations, including the De Koven Club and the reorganized Glee Club, and they were accompanied by the Elks' Quartet. Fifteen cities in the South are included in the itinerary, and the Glee Club does not expect to return until the opening of college in January. Clinton R. Morse, who has acted as leader of the De Koven Club since its organization four years ago, has also been appointed director of the new Glee Club and will have charge of the tour.

The program arranged for the trip includes such classical selections as Fichte's "Bedouin Love Song" and Bullard's "Swing of Pofarra," combined with the best college songs.

**BOY TAKES TUMBLE;  
REPORTED TO POLICE**  
BERKELEY, Dec. 26.—W. A. Edwards of 2829 California street told the police this morning that his son had fallen over an obstruction on Ward street, west of Grove street, last night and cut his face. The police found that there had been a lantern on the obstruction, but there was no oil in it.

Coleman Schwartz, a clever fustemaker, will appear in a monologue turn during the performances.  
The aggregation will give its first concert Wednesday night at the Hotel Watsonville this evening. The remainder of the itinerary is as follows: Santa Cruz, Santa Maria, Oxnard, Ventura, Santa Barbara, Pasadena, Santa Ana, Riverside, Los Angeles, Long Beach, Bakersfield, Hanford, Fresno and Stockton.

The men who have been chosen to make the trip are Kinsey, Varie, Lamont, Tucker, Sheridan, Wilcutt, Dickens, Berry, Ties, First tenors, C. B. Mills, A. H. Powers, R. H. Williams and George Mayo; second tenors, H.

K. Baxter, Spencer Dickinson, Press Smith and L. G. Arnold; first basso, C. M. Smith, Day Baxter, G. F. Vester and R. N. Fitch; second basso, Frank Argall, G. K. Fields, Delwyn Hughes and Will Hush. C. R. Morse, director; R. N. Fitch, manager. Coleman Schwartz, monologist; Delwyn Hughes, vocalist; J. B. Harligan, accompanist.

The collegians will be the recipients of extensive entertaining during their tour. At Santa Barbara, where they will appear on New Year's night, the Berkeley alumni of that city will give a dance at the Hotel Potter in honor of the visitors.

## U. C. GRADUATE WINS PLAUDITS ABROAD WITH MARVELOUS VOICE

BERKELEY, Dec. 26.—Letters from Clyde Linacott, the young singer from the University of California, who is now in Paris, taking a special course in voice culture, tell of the success of the young Californian in his chosen work. Linacott is the protégé of wealthy San Francisco patrons of music who, having heard the young college student sing, urged him to study abroad and train his voice for grand opera singing.

Linacott was graduated from the university here with the class of '04, and his musical genius was at that time recognized by many lovers of the art about the bay. He was a member of the University Glee Club. He has been abroad for some time, but will soon return for a visit before he enters upon the professional career for which he is being prepared. His home is in Santa Cruz.

## WEDDING COMES AS SURPRISE TO SOCIETY CIRCLES

TWO WELL-KNOWN PEOPLE  
ARRANGE QUIET MARRIAGE  
Many Homes Are Entertaining  
Holiday Guests and Many  
More Residents Off on  
Christmas Trips.

BERKELEY, Dec. 26.—Surprise was caused in fraternal circles and society in general by the announcement this morning of the wedding of Robert Greig and Mrs. Edith Hazen, both well known in this city.

The wedding was solemnized yesterday at the home of Mr. Greig on Grant street, only a few immediate friends of the couple being present. The marriage ceremony was pronounced by Rev. Lapsley A. McAfee of the First Presbyterian Church of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Greig left immediately for Southern California for a short honeymoon trip before returning to their home in Berkeley.

Robert Greig is one of the leading contractors and builders of the college town and stands high in Masonic circles.

**MISS BERTINE WOLLENBERG.**  
University of California, '06, who has been teaching at the Chico High School, is spending the holidays with her family at 1281 Bonita avenue.

**M. E. HIEM.**  
government engineer and timber tester at the local experiment station, will leave for a three months' business trip to Washington this morning.

**DR. A. R. WARD**  
will be among the Berkeley folk out of town for the holiday recess, and for the coming two weeks he has planned a rest and trip in the Paso Robles hot springs country. He will return to Berkeley after the first of the year.

**REV. H. W. BRAYTON.**  
State superintendent of the Children's Home Finding Society, returned yesterday from Colusa, where he gave his illustrated lecture on "Fourteen Years Among

## INJURED WHILE ALONE SEWS UP OWN WOUNDS

WILL SPEND  
HONEYMOON  
IN SOUTH

EX-UNIVERSITY  
MAN SAVES LIFE  
NO TIME TO SEEK HELP

BERKELEY, Dec. 26.—One of the holiday weddings in this city will be that of Miss Viola Durkin of San Francisco and Jules Provost of Woolsey street. The wedding will be solemnized in the near future in St. Columba's Church in Oakland.

A reception will follow the ceremony at the home of the bride, after which the young Berkeleyan and his bride will leave for the southern part of the State on their honeymoon journey. The couple will make their home in this city, where Provost is engaged in business.

The Orphans' at the Presbyterian Church Sunday evening and attended the adoption proceedings of one of the society's children yesterday morning.

**MR. AND MRS. GEORGE FOSTER**  
have returned from the southern part of the State and will spend the holidays in San Francisco.

**PERSONAL.**  
Miss Margaret Henderson is spending the holidays in the South.

Miss Alice Baker has gone to San Diego for the winter months.

Miss Emma Mahoney is enjoying a month's visit at Santa Barbara.

Mary Foy has returned from Fort Bragg to his home at 2212 Bancroft way.

H. D. Mortenson of San Francisco has taken apartments at the Carlton for the winter.

Miss Lucile Wollenberg returned yesterday after a couple of weeks spent with friends at Lodi.

Miss Mae Meredith left last evening for her home in Auburn, where she will spend Christmas with her parents.

Prof. H. H. Glessner and family of Piedmont avenue have gone to Santa Cruz to spend the vacation weeks.

Misses Ruth, Belle and Katherine Radcliff of Watsonville are passing the holiday season with relatives in this city.

**COMING TO THIS?**  
First Broker—How is business?  
Second Broker—Improving a little. I've got a good barter out in front of my office now.

Great Presence of Mind and  
Strong Nerve Saves Victim  
From Bleeding to Death.

BERKELEY, Dec. 26.—Roy Filcher, who was graduated from the University with the class of 1906 and is spending the Christmas holidays with friends in Berkeley, tells of a peculiar accident that happened to him several days ago. While working a can crimping machine a cover from one of the cans flew off and cut an ugly gash in his right arm, severing the large vein.

Filcher attended to the cut alone as it was too far to go to a physician, and the loss of blood was so rapid that to delay stitching it would have been fatal. He took three stitches in the cut and bandaged the wound in the best possible manner. Although his hand and arm are for the time being rendered useless, he thinks that no more serious results will follow.

**MAKING IODIDE.**

Consul-General H. B. Miller of Yokohama supplies a Japanese newspaper note concerning the iodine industry, which derives the product from seaweed.

Iodine has now become one of the principal products of Japan, says a ver-nacular contemporary. Its annual export amounting to over 1,000,000 yens (\$500,000) in value, and Japan is now supplying almost one-third of the world's demand, the chemical having a voracious market in London. Recently it was reported that in Chile, South America, a process had been discovered by which it is possible to extract iodine from a certain mineral (nitrate of soda) and that it would be possible by this means to supply the whole demand of the world.

This report is said to have affected the market of Japanese iodine abroad, and the manufacturers in Japan were thrown into a panic. The government sent an expert on the production of iodine there

## TEACHERS TO TAKE PART IN PROGRAM AT MEETING TO OCCUR IN SANTA CRUZ



MISS ALICE TABOR.

H. S. GILBERTSON

MISS EMMA GARRETSON

## COMMODIOUS QUARTERS SECURED AT SURF CITY HOTELS

ALAMEDA, Dec. 26.—The teachers of the local school department will take an active part in the forty-first annual meeting of the State Teachers' Association to be held at Santa Cruz, December 30 to January 3, inclusive.

Superintendent of Schools Fred T. Moore is the treasurer of the association.

He is down on the program to appear before the music section for a number of ballroom solos. Richard Phelps, the manual training teacher, is to address the section in that work. Miss Ida Fisher, formerly a teacher in the local department, who is now at the San Jose Normal, is to speak before the music section.

Fifty of the teachers in the department

will leave here on the morning of the 30th. Among those who will represent the High school are Miss Emma Garretson, Miss Alice Tabor, Miss Alice Colon, Miss May Bayworth, Principal George C. Thompson and H. S. Gilbertson.

Superintendent Moore has made arrangements for the teachers at the Surf City hotels and they will all have commodious quarters.

## EXCHANGE PLANS HOTEL OPENING

Business Men to Have Charge of  
Program at New St.  
Marks.

The new St. Mark's Hotel will be opened on the evening of December 30 with a banquet. Despite the labor complications this statement is authoritative.

"The people of Oakland," said Secretary Wilbur Walker of the Merchants' Exchange today, "are to be congratulated on the completion of this modern business hotel, which will materially assist in the accommodation of visitors to our city."

While the affair is under the auspices of the Merchants' Exchange, which will have full charge of the arrangements, and the seating capacity is limited, there is no desire to exclude any representative citizen. Applications for reservations can be made to me at the Merchants' Exchange immediately and will be accommodated if possible.

## CANARY EATS MORE THAN ITS OWN WEIGHT

What a canary eats has been the subject of research by a scientist who weighed a canary and found it rather over one-half oz. He also weighed all the food and found that the bird consumed thirty-two times its weight every month, or actually more than its own weight every day.

## MANY LITTLE FOLKS RECEIVE GIFTS AND HAVE XMAS TREE

BERKELEY, Dec. 26.—Many children were made happy in this city yesterday through the generosity and hospitality of C. A. Seley, who prepared a Christmas tree loaded with gifts and hung wide open the doors to the children of Berkeley to come and partake of Christmas hospitality.

Scores of boys and girls took advantage of the opportunity and the home of Mrs. McDonald on Bancroft way, near Shattuck avenue, was thronged with young people all the morning.

Santa Claus was assisted in looking out for the needs of the little ones by Mrs. C. A. Seley and several other Berkeley women. The reception for the young guests began at 10 and lasted until 2 p. m.

The Seley Christmas tree has been an event in this city for the past twenty years. The receptions were originated by the late Mrs. M. A. Seley, in memory of her husband, Colonel Seley. Since her death her son, C. A. Seley, has continued the event every year.

## DEATH ENDS SUFFERING OF 3-YEAR-OLD CHILD

ALAMEDA, Dec. 26.—Herbert Thomas McLaughlin, the three-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. McLaughlin of Oak street, died yesterday. The child had been ill for a number of weeks. Mr. McLaughlin is an instructor in charge of the commercial department at the high school.

## URGE LENIENCY FOR AGITATORS

Prominent Americans Appeal in  
Behalf of Russian Revolutionists.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Prominent Americans have united in a cable petition to Premier Stolypin of Russia, urging leniency in the cases of Nicholas Tchailkovsky and Mme. Catherine Breshkovskaya, recently arrested in St. Petersburg for alleged complicity in the revolutionary movement.

The petition is headed with the names of ex-Mayor Low of New York, Mayor Buss of Chicago, Bishop Greer, Mark Twain, George Foster Peabody and Morgan J. O'Brien. It is similar to that recently forwarded to Baron Rosen, the Russian ambassador to Washington, in which the sympathy in the United States for Tchailkovsky and Mme. Breshkovskaya, owing to the travels of the former in this country and the reputation of Mme. Breshkovskaya in philanthropic and charitable work, and that the release of the two prisoners will be interpreted as "an act of friendship by a host of American citizens who are warm friends and well wishers for the welfare of Russia."

## QUESTION OF THE NAUTCH GIRL'S POSITION

The position of the nautch girl is no longer what it was in the Indian social system. Not merely Europeans, but some of the best among the natives feel that in view of the gradual raising of the tone of society the evils associated with her profession should cease to enjoy the toleration accorded to them in the past.

This view, however, is by no means universal, and the conflict of opinion is strikingly illustrated by the experience of Gauthar Jan, a well-known nautch girl of Calcutta and one of the finest native singers in India. A rich Marwari family of Bombay recently engaged her to perform at a marriage ceremony, paying her a fee of Rs 15,000 (\$5000). Later she visited the Lady Northcote Hindu Orphanage and consented to sing in its aid gratis in the town hall. The citizens of Bombay, male and female, flocked in large numbers to listen to her, as the large sum she had made her name a household word in India. The handsome sum of \$2000 was collected on the spot for the orphanage. At the close of the assembly the Hon. Sir M. P. Peroshah Mehta pinned a medal on her breast.

Hearing this, Mr. Justice Chandraravkar of Bombay, a well-known social reformer and Brahmin leader, ceased his connection with the managing committee. A hot newspaper discussion has followed. Mr. Tilak and others have written in defense of Sir M. Mehta, while other correspondents are against him. On another occasion Gauthar Jan sang in aid of the Mohammedan college of Aligarh, but Nawab Mohsan-ul-Mulk refused to receive any profit from that source. London Telegraph.

# 25% OFF FOR CASH

The important feature of this sale is the fact that absolutely everything in this establishment is included in this 25 per cent discount for cash offer. The discount even includes every roll and yard of carpets, every Monarch range, every staple and every novelty—there is positively nothing excepted.

The fact that we include carpets in the discount and that we sew, lay and lift them is most unusual, as in many instances it brings the price down to less than wholesale cost. We are immense buyers of carpets, as we make a specialty of furnishing hotels and apartment houses, thus often using whole carload lots. By purchasing carpets in such quantities we are able to sell certain patterns regularly, at retail, for the same price San Francisco wholesalers ask other dealers. When we deduct 25 per cent on such carpets you can appreciate what it means.

Furthermore, you are not limited as to quantity—you are welcome to one yard or all we have. Remember we sew, lay and line all carpets bought at this sale.

**Discount Includes Furniture, Draperies, Ranges, Stoves, Kitchen Utensils, Pictures, Blankets and everything else in this establishment.**

FURNITURE  
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All goods remain marked at regular prices for reference only. Anything in this store will be sold for cash at 75c on the Dollar.

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## LAST DAYS COLLINS' FIRE SALE

**TOOTH BRUSHES.**  
Slightly soiled by water and smoke—25c grades.

**3c**  
25 a dozen.

**LADIES' PURSES.**  
at ridiculous prices. 100 Bags on sale Friday morning.

**19c each**  
Values up to \$1.00.

**HAIR BRUSHES.**  
The varnish on the backs was affected by the water and smoke but the bristles are still good.

**13c**  
Rooming houses take notice.

**COMBS.**  
Horn Combs slightly warped by the water and steam.

**7c**  
Original values 25c and 35c.

HUNDREDS OF OTHER BARGAINS AT THE SALE.

## Cor. 12th and Clay Streets



## ARE TO DISCUSS CLOSING OF LINE

Clinton Improvement Club Will  
Talk Over East 16th Street  
Car Service.

The Clinton Improvement Club of East Oakland will hold a big meeting on Friday evening of this week to consider, among other matters, the proposed abandonment of the street car service on East Twelfth and Sixteenth streets. There are petitions now signed by about 500 residents living along the line, protesting against the discontinuance of the service, and asking that a double track service be run in place of the single car that now makes trips over the line. It is required to meet the needs of the residents east of Third avenue who claim that they are unable to board the cars on East Fourteenth and East Sixteenth streets bound for Oakland, as they are so crowded with passengers that the cars will not stop to let them on.

There will be other matter before the club for consideration that will be of interest to the property owners and a large attendance is expected.

The club meets in the Washington Ball, corner of Sixth avenue and East Twelfth street.

## TO ORGANIZE AUDITORS

Humboldt Official is Arranging  
for Association.

Plans are now under way to form an association composed of all the county auditors of the State. Thomas K. Carr, deputy auditor of Humboldt county, visited Auditor George S. Pierce this morning to discuss the formation of this association.

The objects of the organization are to meet in convention and discuss the use in the various counties, and to view to improving them. The State controller will also be asked to unite with the association.

Carr has already visited most of the auditors' offices of the State, and his idea has met with universal approval.

## SALVATION ARMY TO GIVE CHRISTMAS TREE

The Salvation Army entertainment and Christmas tree given for the poor children, as well as the army's Sunday school scholars, will be held in the hall at 523 Ninth street, near Clay street, Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Last year they were enabled to give various gifts of toys, dolls, etc. also nuts, candy and fruit to about 200 poor children. They expect even greater things this Christmas season and extend a cordial invitation to all poor children who may wish to attend the annual Christmas services. There will be a fine program, consisting of songs, stories and recitations.

## WOMEN SUFFRAGISTS TO HOLD MEETING

The Oakland Suffragist Amendment League will hold a meeting tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock in the Public Library. Mrs. L. Churchill will address the meeting.

## MILLIONAIRE, BANKER AND BREWER DROPS DEAD

PITTSBURG, Dec. 26.—Leopold Vilasack, millionaire banker and brewer, dropped dead from heart failure at his home today.

## MUSEUM NOISANCE.

"Our gravest nuisances are lovers," said a museum curator. "Why do lovers always select museums to meet in? Because, I suppose, the rooms are so huge and quiet, with so many secluded nooks."

"At any rate, I could continually embarrass me here. I have round a case of old bind and seated behind a mason. I see a young man and a girl passionately kissing each other's mouth. With a blush I turn back to the reptilian section, only to find an elderly dergman, in the shelter of a case of dried cobras, holding a young woman's hand and making a stately, old-fashioned offer of marriage. I switch off to the Egyptian room, but there a stout girl is sitting on a thin man's lap behind a mummy case."

"A museum is a wonderful rendezvous for lovers. Come, now, did you never meet your girl in one?"

## TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

BEAUTIFUL furnished room for light housekeeping, 517 16th st.

FOUND—Llewellyn letter with S. P. dog license. Address box 1543, Tribune.

WANTED—By young person, private instructor in French and German, hour to suit the teacher; state tuition fee for 100 hours. Apply Box 452, Tribune.

LOST—Walworth gold watch with fob, Tuesday night. Finder will be rewarded by returning same to M. J. Buckley, 305 Bush st.

A NEW store and fine location for grocery, rent low for start. Apply 1835 Broadway.

LOST—Dec. 26, a crescent-shaped gold brooch, on 9th ave. or East 16th st. Return to 1330 9th ave. cor. East 16th st. and receive reward.

A MIDDLE-AGED man wants any kind of work and willing to work hard. Address P. Brown, 3005 Mable st., Berkeley.

LOST—Red Myrtle and Broadway by way of 14th st. Lady's side comb with gold trimming. Liberator reward if returned to 1133 Myrtle st.

DECEASED—In Oakland, December 24, 1917, one to her new home Mrs. Annie, beloved wife of the late Robert Eden and loving mother of Mrs. Dore Murphy, Mrs. S. Bauden, Joseph John and William John, a native of Ireland, aged 60 years. (Cincinnati City papers place copy.) Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral Friday, December 27, 1917, at 9 o'clock a. m. from her late residence, 1219 Fourteenth street, thence to St. Patrick's church where a coffin high mass will be celebrated for the repose of her soul, commencing at 9:30 a. m. Interment at St. Mary's cemetery.

DECEASED—In Oakland, December 25, 1917, Patrick Gorman, and loving brother of Patrick John and Nellie Gorman; a native of Oakland, aged 2 months and 2 days. Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral Friday, December 27, 1917, at 2 o'clock p. m. from the residence of his parents, 827 Willow street. Interment at St. Mary's cemetery.

DECEASED—In Oakland, Cal., Dec. 25, 1917, Grace, beloved daughter of John V. and Mary Hughes; native of California, aged 30 years and 2 days.

## When Your Stomach Says "No"

How good that turkey looks—cooked to perfection, smoking hot? What a delicious odor! And that plum pudding, and the rich salad—everything fit for a king. What a joy to sit down to a feast like that—but your stomach says "No." Nothing but plain food for you, and everybody about you crams.

That's the trouble. The stomach is a weak, sensitive organ. It needs a little help to get it going. It needs a little help to get it going. It needs a little help to get it going.

These stomach troubles are due to a lack of motive power. The stomach is a weak, sensitive organ. It needs a little help to get it going. It needs a little help to get it going. It needs a little help to get it going.

Some people try to drug the stomach into a renewal of energy. It can't be done. Drugs do not contain one thing that imparts strength or energy to the stomach.

It merely stupefies the nerves so you can't feel the pain. The trouble is there and will remain there until you remove the cause by filling the nerves with electric life.

Electro-Vigor does this while you sleep. It infuses a gentle, soothing current of electricity into the stomach all night long, restoring its vitality and energy. It builds up strength and gives nourishment to every part. It gives you the power to do the work nature intended it to do.

Electro-Vigor cured me of indigestion, kidney and liver troubles after I had taken great quantities

## STILL WAITS FOR JOB

Board of Works Fails to Appoint  
Assistant Gardener.

City Attorney J. P. McElroy was not present at the meeting of the Board of Public Works, which he is a member, this morning, and the matter of the appointment of an assistant gardener was postponed.

The resolution, which provides that an assistant gardener be appointed at a salary of \$10 a month, caused a lengthy confab in the City Council and a tilt between Councilmen Elliot and Everhardt. The matter was finally referred to the Board of Public Works for action.

The Bell Amusement Company was granted permission to place an awning in front of the Bell Theater on San Pablo avenue near Fourteenth street.

The Oakland Examiner was given permission to erect a stringing sign in front of its office on Broadway near Twelfth street.

STREET REPAIRED. Secretary Fawcett reported that Ninth avenue, from East Eleventh street to the right-of-way of the Central Pacific company, had been graded and turpined at a cost of \$62,000, which amount includes the laying of a pipe culvert at the right-of-way. The report was ordered.

A resolution was passed, ordering the Superintendent of Streets to grade, curb, gutter and macadamize such portions of Bay Place in accordance with the plans and specifications of the City Engineer.

The petition of Stewart & Cory to build a project on street at Van Ness street, was referred to the secretary for investigation.

A petition of residents in the vicinity of Linden street, between Twenty-eighth and Thirty-second streets, for an electric light in that block, was granted.

The National Rubber Company was granted permission to erect a boiler at 13 Telegraph avenue.

A resolution was passed requesting the Oakland Traction Company to use only blue-trap rock in repaving the portion of streets between its tracks.

A resolution was adopted ordering the deputy superintendent of streets in charge of new sewer construction to cause plans for catch basins to be made in Wood street sewer. This action will be taken with all sewers in the future.

TO DISCUSS RULES FOR  
VANDERBILT AUTO CUP

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—The committee having in charge the details of the automobile race for the Vanderbilt cup will meet on Sunday and will discuss the proposed rules for the race which it is hoped can be held next summer.

The main point to be decided is whether or not the committee shall adopt the rules now in force for road races in Europe.

It is said that several members of the committee will advocate the relation of the American rules which differ in many details from those in use abroad.

## ACTION OF ATHLETIC CLUB MUDDLES AFFAIRS

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—American athletes are discussing the peculiar position in which they are likely to be placed by an unexpected action of the Canadian Athletic Association. It is said on good authority that the Canadian Association will reinstate Longboat, the Indian runner, who was suspended by both the Canadian Association and the Amateur Athletic Union on charges of professionalism.

The reason given for this action is that Canadian desire to enter a team at the Olympic games in London next summer. Longboat will doubtless prove a winning card in the event.

It is so likely, however, that the Amateur Athletic Union will remove the suspension against the Indian, in which case the Canadian athlete could enter the race against him in London.

## MARY GARDEN READY TO SING JANUARY 3

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Mary Garden, the prima donna, who has been seriously ill with the grip, has so far recovered that she will go to Atlantic City today for a day or two. "Louise," the new opera production, which has been postponed twice because of Miss Garden's illness will be sung at the Manhattan opera house January 3.

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Broadcloth suits, tight fitting, full 52 inches long; strapped jacket with gored skirt.  
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**BROADCLOTH COAT  
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Several of the season's best styles in 50 inch broadcloth coats, the popular loose full model, satin lined, trimmed collar and cuffs; strictly tailored throughout; our regular \$25.00 values—special  
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Our entire line of 25c and 30c grades of this season's new Scotch flannels.  
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**SPECIAL—yd. 19c**

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This twilled flannelette comes in solid colors of cream, blue and white and is the regular 12-12½ value.  
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An extra heavy quality fringed reversible couch cover, 60 inches wide. In striking combinations of red and green, Oriental blue, brown and tan. In original Turkish and Persian designs; \$6.00 is the regular price—SPECIAL  
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One lot consisting of broken assortments of many popular styles in Scotch plaid and Roman striped Silk Waist, sizes for all in one style or other  
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Broken assortment of the prettiest of Silk Kimonos; something in a dozen styles and all good colors and patterns; regular \$3.25 to \$3.50 values—SPECIAL  
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**Sateen Petticoats**  
One lot of Plaid Sateen Petticoats with deep flounce, finished with ruffles and satin bands; regular \$1.50 value—SPECIAL  
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**Ladies' Gowns**  
Daisy Flannel Night Gowns; white, trimmed with pink and blue stitching, tucked yokes; another style, heavy daisy flannel, solid colors; trimmed with brand; all our regular \$1.25 quality. SPECIAL  
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**Ribbon Clearance**  
Over 5000 yards of ribbon—something of every kind; fancies, plain taffeta, satin taffeta in all shades—a big broken assortment, the result of an active holiday trade. To close out at the following prices—5c, 7 1-2c values—special, yard  
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10c, 12 1-2c values, special, yard  
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There are probably 250 patterns in this special lot of Normandy, Valenciennes and Point de Paris laces; lengths from 2 to 10 yards and in many widths—the first clean-up of the season.  
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**All Holiday Lines**  
Under this heading is included all silver articles, French stag and fancy ebony articles other than staple hair brushes, etc.; pictures, fancy picture frames, manicure sets, smokers' sets and similar lines.  
**All Reduced 25%**

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**SPECIAL**

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Printed Turkish Towels, white or unbleached; regular 20c value.  
**15c**  
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**Woollen Blankets**  
White Woollen Blankets, pink or blue borders; full size for double bed; regular \$3.00 values—SPECIAL  
**\$2.25**

**Huck Towels**  
Good heavy Huck Towels of large size, hemstitched or plain hem; plain white or colored by lot.  
Regular 25c value—SPECIAL  
**15c**

**Comforters**  
Full size Comforters scroll stitched, tufted, purest of white filling; proof against lumping; silkline covering; regular \$2.25 values.  
**\$1.85**  
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**Extra large white Woollen Blankets;**  
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Good heavy fleeced-back and Percale Wrappers or House Gowns; well made, new patterns, flounced and comfortable; regular \$1.00 values—SPECIAL 75c.  
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## Crafters and Graft Prosecutors.

The pervasive activity of the graft prosecution, i. e., Rudolph Spreckels and James D. Phelan, is illustrated by several potent facts. One was the efforts made by Phelan to get Barnett bailed out of jail. A second was the appearance of Hiram Johnson, special graft prosecutor, as counsel for Brown and Bartlett. A third was the sudden suspension of Henry's activity as a prosecutor of the bank wreckers and his retention by an Ogden bank connected with the Gould interests as attorney. A fourth was the appointment of Charles S. Cushing, a former attache of the First National Bank, as custodian of the California Safe Deposit and Trust Company. The last was the appointment of the First Federal Trust Company, a Spreckels-Phelan concern, to be executor of the Colton estate, vice W. J. Bartlett, removed for malfeasance. That Brown and Bartlett were active and vociferous coadjutors of Spreckels in his peculiar campaign for civic reform is a matter of mere academic interest in this connection. So is the fact that Rudolph Spreckels owes his election to the Bohemian Club to the kindly offices of J. Dalzell Brown. But Spreckels was not gracious enough to call on Brown and Bartlett in the county jail and tender them the greetings and compliments of the season. He drew the line at the Bohemian Club and the assets of the California Safe Deposit and Trust Company—so far as publicity is concerned. However, Burns and the special corps of lawyers and detectives employed by the graft prosecution may help out on the quiet. Public decorum must be observed even at the expense of appearing ungrateful and disloyal.

## British Columbia Saving Its Forests

British Columbia is taking alarm at the rapid disappearance of the forests of the western side of the continent and is adopting timely measures to conserve its own timber lands. The province is more heavily timbered than any other section of country on the Pacific Coast. It contains, it is officially stated, approximately 150,000,000 acres of unappropriated forest land, all carrying the finest merchantable timber in the world, consisting chiefly of white cedar, Douglas and yellow pine and fir. With southeastern Alaska and the Aleutian archipelago it promises in the course of another generation to become the world's chief source of supply of these kinds of lumber, so rapidly are the forests of California, Oregon and Washington being denuded.

The provincial government has taken alarm at the activity of the pre-emptors of its timber lands for speculative purposes. Over 6,500,000 acres of these lands have been pre-empted by speculators in recent years; and, to prevent the remainder being gobbled up in the same way, the unstaked public timber lands have been placed under a government reserve. Hereafter the government will doubtless establish stringent forestry regulations which will put a stop to the wanton destruction of growing timber and perpetuate the lumber supply for the use of the generations to come.

## Seasonable Rain Follows Christmas.

A more favorable holiday season could not have been provided for California than the one which is now drawing to a close. Shoppers and shopkeepers had fine weather for Christmas trading, and like the Christmas season of last year thousands of San Francisco shoppers took advantage of it to cross the bay and do their Christmas buying here, where there were large and varied stocks from which to make their selections of Christmas presents.

Now that the Christmas trade is over, the rain has set in to gladden the heart of the farmer, the stockraiser and the fruitgrower, moistening the land and giving new vigor to all plant life. So far the rain record of the season is of course considerably below the normal; but the precipitation has been fortunately distributed in a way that it is doing the most good possible to the State. Most of the rain that has so far fallen has sunk into the soil; comparatively little of it has been drained off and wasted in the streams of the watersheds. And in every instance this season the rain has been as warm as it has been gentle—what the farmer rejoices to greet as "growing weather." The shortage in the rainfall so far, as compared with "normal," affords no occasion for alarm concerning the general outcome of the rainy season, for what have usually proved to be the wettest months of the season are still to come.

Juvenile interest in the Teddy bear has died out in the East, as was clearly demonstrated by the Christmas toy trade in New York. The season closed leaving dealers with big stocks of Teddy bears on the shelves unsold—just the reverse of the Christmas experience of last year, when the stock was exhausted before the end of the season. Other kinds of toy animals sold, however, in large numbers. The Teddy bear had been certainly one of the most peculiar which ever took possession of the juvenile world and at one time it threatened to extinguish the doll business entirely and destroy the motherly sentiment which the doll is supposed to plant and cultivate in the minds of little girls. Brief as the craze was for the Teddy bear, the manufacturers made fortunes out of the fuzzy, freaky toy. But the passing of the Teddy bear will surely make the doll-makers happy once more and give new life to their business.

"Frenzied financier" J. Dalzell Brown is learning the bitter lesson that when a fellow, however jolly good he may be, is put down and out, he ceases to be a popular idol, is deserted by his fairweather friends and becomes the victim of all kinds of idiotic yarns and the butt of ridicule and satire. The latest foolish story invented and published about him is that he dreamed of the establishment of a new Congo Free State in South America and imperial conquests to follow, in which he was to occupy the center of the stage like King Leopold of Belgium. Brown has doubtless been one of the most reckless and unscrupulous of bank plungers and wreckers, but no one who knows him will accuse him of being a crack-brained fool.

According to the Railway Age nearly six thousand miles of new track was laid in the United States this year. That is one of the unmistakable signs of the country's expansion, and the general prosperity it was enjoying until the Wall Street stock gamblers disturbed matters with their reckless plunging.

# TERSE COMMENT BY PRESS OF THE COUNTRY



"SAY, DAD, WAS THAT THE BROOKLYN BRIDGE THAT JUST WENT BY?"  
New York Press.

## POINTED PARAGRAPHS

Better a spoiled child than a fresh man.  
—  
Misery loves company—and it never gets lonesome.  
—  
Money makes the mare go and it also makes the ghost walk.  
—  
No, Alonzo, those Indian football players are not Kickapoo.  
—  
No man ever takes a mean advantage of another—from his viewpoint.  
—  
Some men are born great and some thrust themselves upon greatness.  
—  
The chief fault of the man who never makes mistakes is that he doesn't.  
—  
There is no need to hunt for trouble, everything comes to those who wait.  
—  
About the slowest way to settle an argument is to get two women interested in it.  
—  
More of us would reach the top if the neighbors would quit shoving.  
—  
People are as anxious to agree with a genius as they are to disagree with a crank.  
—  
Men do a lot of unnecessary things in this world and women say a lot of unnecessary things.  
—  
In polite society a snub is a sort of upper cut.  
—  
A lot of so-called golden silence is only plaid.  
—  
When women borrow trouble they usually pay back double.  
—  
By advertising your wrongs you will add to your collection.  
—  
Some men are to be trusted and some others are not in the trust.  
—  
A woman's idea of a smart man is one who always agrees with her.  
—  
Opportunity knocks but once, but it's different with the human knocker.  
—  
Success is apt to beget success, unless the successful party is unable to stand prosperity.  
—  
A Kansas woman sent \$2 for a book on the "Art of Preserving" thinking it would teach her how to preserve her complexion.  
—  
When you meet a man who gets nothing but kicks give him a kind word and see how much he will appreciate it.  
—  
Wise is the man who is as attentive to his wife as he was when she was his sweetheart, only her relationship to him has changed, not her nature.

## QUIPS AND HUMOR

AND BYE-BYE.  
And now the price of false teeth has been raised, "by gum."—Atlanta Georgian.  
Millions of dozens of eggs have been laid away in cold storage, "by hen."—Columbus, Ohio, Sun.  
And it is claimed that we are bound to have war with Japan, by Jingo.—Houston, Texas, Post.  
And the hickory nuts have a heavy shell this fall, by cracky!—Springfield, Mo., Leader.  
And now the Christmas season is upon us, buy presents.—Kansas City Star.  
NOT ALWAYS THAT WAY.  
"What I like about Spendum is that he treats every one alike."  
"That hasn't been my experience with him."  
"It hasn't."  
"No. Last night he was out with a party of us, and when he asked what we'd have he each took something different."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.  
PRIDE OF STATION.  
Customer—You ask a good deal for your candies, it seems to me. I can get these things at that place around the corner for much less than your prices.  
Proprietor—Quite likely. That's a candy kitchen. This is a confectionery-parlor.  
HE COULD IMPROVE IT.  
"I went to the theater last night."  
"What did you see?"  
"A play called 'Hamlet.'"  
"How was it?"  
"Fair, only fair. A good, lively sextet would do it a world of good."—Louisville Courier-Journal.  
THE APPAREL AND THE MAN.  
"Have you an opening for a heavy immediate?"  
"Nix."  
"Sir, do you know that I wear the mantle of Kismet?"  
"You look it. Get yourself a new fur overcoat and I might talk to you."

## How Cotton Planters Boomed the Market by Warehousing the Crop.

The government's estimate of a cotton crop of nearly 11,700,000 bales was a surprise to the bulls who had been bidding up the price in the expectation that the yield would be perhaps a million bales below those figures. Yet their surprise is neither so unwelcome nor so severe as would be the experience of the growers if they should generally follow a plan to regulate the market and control prices that has been attempted in some of the Southern cotton districts. We refer to that of holding back a considerable share of the product to enhance the market value of that which is released for sale. The cotton planters have had a long period of prosperity, and for this every one should be glad. They have fattened their bank accounts from year to year and many of them have not checked out more than a fraction of their balances. This is to the credit of their prevision as well as to the benefit of their immediate welfare. But the scheme of controlling the market by locking up a considerable part of their product in the warehouses is destined to do them an injury which industry and frugality cannot undo. It is a fact that a numerous body of the growers have from 20 to 25 per cent of their yield locked up in warehouses.—New York Press.

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## Congress Frowns on the Frock Coat as a Statesman's Garb

Congress is eliminating the frock coat habit. More than half the members of the new Congress have shown their disapproval of the time-honored costume by appearing on the floor of the House in the regulation business suit of tweed. Red and lavender neckties can poll a larger vote than the somber black string tie, and old members, loyal to the frock coat and its accessories, are discussing with despair the future of congressional tan shoes. These sartorial belligerents declare that the revolt against the unwritten law concerning the frock coat habit is chiefly in the interests of comfort. Whether the regulation statesman's garb would be a matter of pride with them in questioning whether they would appear to better personal advantage in solemn black or most becoming blue, they insist, is a matter of secondary consideration. Fear expressed by members of the House for the doom of the frock coat has already disturbed the equanimity of the Senate by the appearance of a couple of belligerents in the ranks of this black-coated body. The battle between tweeds and bacadcloths, black and lavenders, giddy waist coats and Henry Clay conservatives top hats and soft hats has been aggravated by the general youthfulness of the new members who with wardrobes larger than a Newport bidde, declare they are prepared to fight the issue to a finish. Many members object to the regulation dress because of their faith in the new scientific color theories, and men who wear red waistcoats because they have been told by scientists and astrologers that red was their astral color shudder at the thought of putting on the somber black, funeral-looking clothes.—Washington Star.

Of course the wife has just as much right to start something as the husband has to come home in the early morn.

## Exclusion of Criminals Ought Not to be a Puzzling Problem

Immigration authorities are greatly concerned in devising some legislative expedient that will tend to lessen the number of immigrant criminals. The report of the past year of the murderous depredations of the Black Hand and the great volume of crime committed independently of any organization real, or supposed, in the larger cities, and notably in New York and Chicago and New Orleans, has brought about abnormal activity on the part of immigration reform people. We are strangely inconsistent in this immigration matter. We find that the presence of the Chinese Coolie and Japanese laborer is objectionable and detrimental to the public well being. And despite the fact that as a whole either class is less dangerous in the criminal sense than certain classes of European newcomers, we find no trouble in establishing a policy of exclusion in the one instance and every difficulty in reasonable regulation in the other. The Japanese we say we do not want at all, and the Chinese who are here are tagged and pictured so that we easily keep track of them. It apparently has never occurred to us that a similar policy might be of service in the case of the undesirable European. The mere poverty of the immigrant was not at one time so great an objection as it is now. The reason for this was, the bulk of immigration came from a different quarter. Neither was the standard of living nor the standard of morals so low as that of the hordes from the smaller countries of Northern and Central Europe and from part of Italy. With positive knowledge that from these localities there has been unloading of criminal scum we have acted as if we know little or cared little about the matter. If with immigration on the Atlantic seaboard there was some of the stern spirit of restriction that obtains on the Pacific, the problem might not be so puzzling after all.—Portland Telegram.

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The marriage of Miss Maud Agler and Samuel Haven took place at noon today in St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Berkeley. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Edward L. Parsons.

The bride is the attractive and accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Agler. She was attended by Miss Mabel Madson of San Jose and the pretty wedding was simple in detail.

After the ceremony and informal reception at the home of the bride's parents in Berkeley, the young couple left on a wedding trip to the South.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Haven and brother of Mrs. Hiram Hall. Haven has just completed a bachelors degree in Sonoma, where the couple will make their future home.

**REAS-MORGAN.**  
The marriage of Miss Emma Reas and Wale D. Morgan was a pretty event of last week, taking place at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Reas. The officiating clergyman was the Rev. Charles Austin, pastor of the Golden Gate Baptist Church.

The attractive bride wore a gown of blue crepe de chine and carried a shower bouquet of bride's roses.

The maid of honor, Miss Nettie Morgan, wore a pretty gown of pale green mull.

William Reas attended the groom as best man.

The guests who attended the ceremony and informal reception which followed were relatives and close friends.

After a honeymoon trip Mr. and Mrs. Morgan will return to make their home in Berkeley.

**CHRISTMAS CAROLS.**  
A party of young people from the First Congregational Church sang at a great many homes yesterday morning in their yuletide greeting.

Another band of singers was composed entirely of men, the members of one of the clubs of the First Presbyterian Church.

In East Oakland two merry groups of younger folk crossed and recrossed each other's paths. For several weeks a company of singers has been planning a Christmas morning surprise, including a half hundred friends or more in the season's compliment. In the party, which was afterward entertained at breakfast by one of the members, were Miss Jessie Murray, Miss Minnie Sutherland, Miss Eva Williams, Miss Dolly Sumner, Miss Winifred Wilson, Miss Marie Donahoe, Miss Bertha Clark, Miss Edna Horner, Ralph Taylor, Howard Taylor, Ralph Wilson, Robert Sutherland, Earl Cornell, John Ferno, Henry Footman, Fred Wallace and several others.

In the second band of carolers were Miss Annette Seltener, Mrs. John Hoff, Miss Elizabeth Wilcox, Miss Hulda Churchill, Miss Ruth Elder, William Seltener, Chester Miller, Herbert Merrill, W. W. Madge Jr. and others.

**FAMILY PARTY.**  
The Valentine Hush home in Fruitvale was the scene of a happy gathering yesterday when Mr. Hush was able to be about again after his recent illness. Others who assembled at this family dinner were Mr. and Mrs. William Madge, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Madge.

**GOING TO TEXAS.**  
Mrs. Henry Ware Lyon, who has been the guest of friends in Berkeley for the past few weeks, will leave in a few days for San Antonio, Texas, where she will join Admiral Lyon. The admiral has been in Boston during Mrs. Lyon's stay in Honolulu and her visit here.

**HOWELL-TWING.**  
The marriage of Miss Edith Howell of this city and Charles M. Twining of Berkeley took place at noon yesterday. The Rev. C. A. Richards of Palo Alto officiated.

The bride wore a gown of white mull and orange blossoms. She was attended by her sister, Miss Edna Howell, who wore a gown of white net over silk.

R. L. Barringer acted as best man. After a reception and wedding breakfast the couple departed on a honeymoon trip, their destination being kept a secret.

Mr. and Mrs. Twining will live in Berkeley.

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**HOLIDAY DINNER.**  
Mrs. Mary P. Huntington and her daughter, Marlan, entertained at a Christmas dinner yesterday at their attractive flat in Pacific avenue. Mrs. Huntington and Miss Huntington have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Brockway Metcalf on this side of the bay.

**ENGLISH TEA.**  
Mrs. Redford Tague Holmes will entertain the first Tuesday in January at a very informal English tea to be given at her home in East Oakland. The complimentary guests on this occasion will be Mrs. Thomas Porter and Miss Nellie Porter of Sydney, Australia, who are visiting here.

**NAISMITH-LEE.**  
The marriage of Miss Sarah E. Naismith and Thomas J. Lee took place yesterday at the First United Brethren Church, corner of Third-fourth and Adeline streets. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Marion R. Drury, pastor of the church.

After a honeymoon trip through the southern part of the State the couple will return to make their home in this city.

**CHURCH WEDDING.**

The wedding of Miss Marguerite

**ATTACH WHOLE TOWN**  
Mechanics Fasten to Model City of Leland.

**PALO ALTO, Dec. 26.**—The persistent rumor that the Leland Improvement Company has been hard pressed for money has found confirmation in the fact that the laborers and mechanics employed by the concern have attached the entire holdings of the corporation in the model city of Leland, between here and Mayfield.

The head of the Leland Improvement Company and the promoter of the scheme was W. J. Nash of San Francisco, former vice-president of the Market Street Bank. Nash launched his plans with a flourish, accompanied by extensive advertising of prospects and the profits awaiting investors. Nash interested the Methodist church in his scheme to the extent that its members agreed to locate their college in his model city.

**WAS SUCCESS.**  
At the start Leland was a success, and a great number of people invested in lots there on the strength of the advertisement and attractive pamphlets published by Nash and his associates. A great deal of money was needed to lay out the site of the proposed model city, as the greater portion of its territory lay on unclaimed marsh land. Work progressed and plans for a \$750,000 hotel were authorized, but a large portion of the work was being carried on credit.

Waiting promises and waiting for the money due them, the laborers and mechanics have obtained a writ of attachment on the Leland holdings. They have appointed W. H. Tilman as their representative and he filed the attachment for the combined amounts due. The employees assert that the Leland Improvement Company has been in arrears on its payments for many months.

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**WEDDING ANNIVERSARY.**  
Mr. and Mrs. S. Nigert celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of their wedding yesterday with an elaborate reception given at their home in Fruitvale. Over one hundred guests were entertained during the afternoon. The house was effectively decorated in holly berries and greens.

Mr. and Mrs. Unger were assisted in receiving their guests by their three daughters, Helen, Harriet and Pauline. The couple received many handsome presents.

**HOLIDAY NOTES.**  
Mrs. John L. Howard and her young son Bruce returned from Santa Barbara in time to spend Christmas at home. They have been at the Potter since early in December.

Miss Suzanne Kirkpatrick has been spending the holidays at her home near Pleasanton.

The M. J. Layman home was crowded with relatives and friends yesterday for the holiday dinner and the Christmas tree.

Professor and Mrs. Charles Mills Gayley are spending the holidays in Paris. Mr. and Mrs. William Hainsworth had an elaborate dinner yesterday when Mr. and Mrs. Harry Chickering, formerly Miss Alla Henshaw, participated in the festivity.

Mr. and Mrs. William Morton Hall entertained a dozen relatives at dinner yesterday.

**CRIMINAL CASES**  
**SWAMP COURTS**

**Six Departments in New York Not Sufficient to Handle Work.**

**NEW YORK, Dec. 26.**—Although six criminal courts are in operation in New York, they cannot keep pace with the crime wave which has swept over the city during the last year.

The criminal calendar today carries 1271 cases, while a year ago there were 1212 cases on the calendar but 841 cases. There are 22 prisoners in the Tombs, 238 awaiting trial and 85 awaiting the action of the Grand Jury.

A year ago there were but 191 prisoners, sixty-two awaiting trial and 128 awaiting the action of the Grand Jury. Today's figures break all records in New York. The Grand Jury has already reported on the crowded condition of the Tombs, and the warden states that unless people stop committing crimes it will be necessary to build an addition to the city's picturesque prison.

**SKIN FROM CHILDREN**  
**SAVE MOTHER'S LIFE**  
SANTA ROSA, Dec. 26.—A successful skin grafting operation performed on Mrs. Alice Scheel, a well-known pioneer woman of Western Sonoma, has saved her life.

## FRAWLEY PLAY PROVES SUCCESS

Columbia Theater Reopened—Splendid Production of "Little Minister."

T. Daniel Frawley and his company reopened the Columbia Theater yesterday with a successful production of "The Little Minister." The theater was filled with an audience appreciative in nature and liberal with applause.

Miss Virginia Thornton, in the difficult part of Babbie, showed much ability and shared with Frawley the honors and bouquets of the evening. The support in general needs considerable polishing by T. Daniel Frawley's master hand to give the members the proper histrionic luster.

Miss Edith Fassett, who played Michal Dow, and Frank Howard, as Lord Rindour, made more of their parts than did any of the other minor characters. On the whole, however, the production was good.

The play would be improved by eliminating the song about "my honey-moo-hoo-hoo," which was needlessly inserted in one of the acts, and the constant, slow, jiggy music running through the pathetic portion of the drama.

## THE SOUTHERN WHISK BROOM ARTIST

This innate, uncontrollable craving of the negro for rhythm is nowhere better exemplified than in a colored barber's manipulation of an ordinary democratic whisk broom. You may think that you have been whisked by your barber, but the best of our boot-blacks and barbers' assistants merely brush your trousers from the knee down, with a few conventional, cold movements and you are free to pass on your collar. Their whisking is at best a calculating, soulless business proposition. But in Charleston all this is changed. To be sure, your negro begins brushing you with a sordid piece of dirty rag in view, but the moment he begins a prelude with his whisk on your coat lapels, his work, like that of the artist, becomes the labor of love. He loses sight of its commercial possibilities in its technical resources. In his hands it is manipulated until it becomes a vehicle of expression and takes its place among the instruments of precision.

If you show even a moderate interest in the skill with which the colored apprentice drums the dust out of your clothing, the proprietor will leave his customer with his face buried beneath a sea of suds, snatching the whisk away from the boy with a "Go way, chile," and reveal the possibilities of the implement. Your collarbone will be approached with a capricious movement that will soon shape itself into an alight negro man toying as he reaches your shoulders in the variegated rhythms that follow in quick succession you unconsciously formulate well-remembered airs.

As I reached my ribs, for an instant he was agitated, and I thought I traced Schumann's delightful "Ill Neger Complains"—only for a moment, for he had shifted to elaborate double scapings. "I Don't Care if You Nevah Come Back," but doubtless realizing the inappropriateness of the selection, he drifted gracefully into a delicate and exquisite bit of ragtime drumming as he whisked in his faint pianissimo, "Every Little Bit Helps," softly hissing the melody after the manner of a groom when he uses the curry comb on a horse.—Harper's.

**TREE FROM A HANDSPIKE.**  
There is a river birch tree on the banks of the Pond Park branch of the Little River in Boone county, West Virginia, said M. C. Elder of Madison, Va., "and it would grow hard with any man who put an ax to it. That tree has a story."

"When the Mexican war began, in 1816, a recruiting officer visited a lumber camp in the vicinity of Madison, seeking enlistments from the sturdy woodsmen who were at work there. Among them was a giant lumberman named Jim Martin.

The soldier was using a handspike made from a river birch sapling recently cut down and still green. Eager to go to the front, he thrust his handspike deep into the soft soil of the river bank and went away with the recruiting officer.

"The handspike Jim Martin used was too big and heavy for any of his fellows to handle, and it was left sticking where he had jabbed it into the ground. The next spring it was noticed that it was putting forth green shoots, showing that it had rooted in the ground.

"It was left undisturbed, and it grew to be a great tree and stood today on the spot where the patriotic Jim Martin thrust it into the earth as a battered handspike sixty-one years ago. Jim Martin was killed in battle, and his bones lie somewhere on Mexican ground, but he has his monument in this still sound and vigorous tree, which is a revered landmark in all that country."—New York Sun.

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## 250 UNEMPLOYED DISCUSS PLANS

Socialist Utters Protest Against Chain-Gang Doing Work Others Might Have.

Unemployed men and women, 250 strong, representing skilled and unskilled labor, gathered in Hamilton Hall, 33 Thirteenth street, yesterday afternoon to discuss ways and means of securing employment. The assembly was composed of men in every sense of the word, Russians, negroes, Greeks, Slavonians, and Japanese rubbed shoulders with Irish, English and Americans, and met on a common ground on the subject of work.

Conspicuous among the army of unemployed were four or five men, who were recent arrivals, it is claimed, from Russia. A young Russian who was present at the meeting declared they were revolutionists.

A coterie of Socialists, including Edwin P. Lewis, took advantage of the occasion to speak against the present system of government. Lewis urged the abolition of the chain-gang, declaring that the city was robbing its unemployed of rightful work. He said in part:

"It is the chain-gang of our city that enriches the political contractors. These men under penal sentence should not be given the work that honest men should get, thus depriving women and children of their necessities. It is one great system of graft and to be practiced at this time shows that our present civilization is a complete failure."

## DIAMONDS AND GOWN GET MUCH ATTENTION

From the entrance in Thirty-fourth street to the interior arrangements and decorations, society folk in the Manhattan Gayety-house, New York, last night found changes that called for favorable comment. That society had decided the Manhattan should be put in society's good books was plain.

The Duchess of Marlborough was in a box in the center of the house with Mrs. Clarence Mackay, whose guest she was. The Duchess wore an empire style gown of black chiffon velvet bodice trimmed profusely with white lace. The short sleeves had a fringe of diamonds and a string of solitaires formed a close-fitting collar band.

Mrs. Joseph Pulitzer wore a white chiffon gown spangled with sapphire blue jet. At her throat a narrow band of black velvet was studded with diamonds. Miss Edith Pulitzer was in black velvet, with short puffed sleeves of white lace.

Mrs. E. H. Weatherbee was in pale blue chiffon, embellished with roses. Her earrings, a heart at the coragee and a necklace, Miss May Weatherbee was in pink chiffon tulle. Her only jewel was a narrow collar of pearls.

Mrs. E. R. Thomas was a striking figure in a black costume, embroidered with large gold orchids. Her only jewels were a double string of matched pearls. With her was Mrs. E. R. Thomas, who wore a black and sapphire butterfly at her bodice, and she wore a diamond pendant.—New York Press.

## STREET CAR ROW LEADS TO MURDER IN SALOON

**CHICAGO, Dec. 26.**—Henry Bender was shot and instantly killed last night by Milo Thompson (colored), in a State-street saloon. A quarrel on a street preceded the shooting. Thompson was arrested as he was attempting to escape. He was charged with the murder of Bender, a detective, was struck by a bullet from the negro's revolver. Bender was not injured.

## A WATER FUNERAL.

In the northeastern corner of France, in the Pas-de-Calais department, there is a stretch of country which possesses practically no roads. This region, lying between St. Omer and the Belgian frontier, is traversed in every direction by canals, which serve as a means of communication between the different centers of population. The people use skiffs, not unlike Venetian gondolas, and in these they glide silently to field and market. The village of La Bassée has round of visits by boat, the very horses have to be taken by boat to and from the fields in which they work, and it is no uncommon occurrence for a frisky animal to kick out, overbalance the frail craft, and precipitate its occupants into the water. It is a region of perpetual peace, a country of eternal calm, where the noise of wheeled traffic is unknown, where the motor horn is never heard.

A frequent sight in these waterways is a funeral procession. The coffin is placed on a couple of chairs and is covered with a cloth. The nearest relatives of the deceased sit behind the coffin, friends follow in other boats, and the priest recites his prayers while the little cortege makes its way slowly to the burial-place.—Exc.

**JUMPS OFF BOAT AND DROWNS IN RIVER**  
REDDING, Dec. 26.—A man supposed to be Albert McCaskell, aged 60, jumped off a ferryboat into the Sacramento river and drowned.

## SAVE SLEEPERS FROM BURNING

Firemen Rescue Lodgers and Lead Them Through Smoke to Safety.

**LOS ANGELES, Dec. 26.**—Fire early today in the Norwandy rooming house, 453-1/2 South Broadway, caused a loss of \$5500 and came near resulting in the death of several occupants of the house. When the firemen reached the scene they found the fire had gained much headway and that scores of sleeping inmates were on the upper floors. Rushing in the firemen aroused these, it being found necessary to lead several of them to the street, so nearly were they overcome with smoke. All escaped in safety. It required an hour to extinguish the flames. The fire started from crossed electric wires in the basement of F. G. Kahn & Co. Several adjoining business houses sustained damage.

## SAILOR SAYS YOUTH RAN AWAY WITH GOLD

**SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26.**—Francis J. Moore, a sailor from the cruiser West Virginia, reported to the police that an eighteen-year-old boy whose name he did not know, had snatched his pocketbook containing \$30 and asked the police to recover the money for him. Moore stated that he was out imbibing Christmas cheer and met the lad in one of the downtown saloons. He exhibited his pocketbook containing three \$10 gold pieces. The youth told Moore that it had been so long since he had seen a gold piece, having nothing but clearing-house certificates himself, that he would like to examine the gold. Moore passed his pocketbook to the youth, who at once fled.

## THINK BODY IN BAY RESULT OF MURDER

**SAN DIEGO, Dec. 26.**—The body of C. D. White was found floating in the harbor here yesterday. In the pockets of the clothes were found letters signed by W. W. and W. H. Smith of Elgin, Tex., stating White was of good character both as a public and private citizen. Bruises on the head pointed to foul play.

## ROBBERS SHOOT AT SALOONMAN AND WIFE

**SAN JOSE, Dec. 26.**—Joe Carbone, proprietor of the Elgin house on the Monterey road, and his wife, narrowly escaped death at 1 o'clock yesterday morning. Highwaymen, supposed to have escaped from the city prison here, entered the saloon, fired several shots at the couple using two revolvers, while the confederate shot at the lights robbed the till of \$45 and three diamond rings.

## IN REGARD TO BALDHEADS.

Bald-headed men have apparently been in the habit of putting themselves on the back and saying that a gleam of interior merely reflects a sound and highly convoluted interior to a dome of self-esteem.

Two old cronies sat in a hotel lobby exchanging bon mots and things, and the one who is bald had been putting up with annoying remarks from the other reflecting upon the beauty of his glistening capital extremity.

"Well, anyhow," retorted the bald one, "you don't see any shiny heads like this out at Newburg, and that's about where they'll send you about the time this election's over."

Now the baldhead's friend was originally from St. Louis, Mo., and he doesn't accept things without being shown. He rushed to the nearest phone and called up the superintendent of the State hospital.

He asked that baldheads were unknown out there, although, he said, they were greatly in the minority.

"Then the bald-headed man, with his theory shattered, consented to buy—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

## Are You Sick?

Much sickness is due to a weak nervous system. Yours may be. If it is, you cannot get well until you restore nerve strength. Your nervous system is nature's power house; the organs of your body get their power from it. If the power is not there, the action of the organs is weak, and disease (sickness) follows. Dr. Miles' Nerve cure cures the sick because it soothes the irritated and tired nerves and gives the system a chance to recuperate. Try it, and see if you do not quickly feel its beneficial effect.

"I was given up to die by a leading doctor. Got one of Dr. Miles' Nerve cure books and found that Dr. Miles' Nerve cure fit my case. From the very first dose I took I got better. I am better now than I have been for years, and do all my own work on the farm. That's what Dr. Miles' Nerve cure has done for me, and I am glad to recommend it to others."

JOHN JAMES, Riverton, Neb. You can get a copy of Miles' Nerve cure, and we authorize him to return price of first bottle (only) if it fails to cure you.

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## CARRY DYING MAN DOWN 18 FLOORS

Four Night Policemen Risk Life as Result of Peculiar Accident.

**CHICAGO, Dec. 26.**—Down a narrow, winding stairway from the eighteenth floor of Illinois Central elevator, "P" four policemen carried a dying man last night, and at a recent stop they took their own lives were endangered. There was a burden of 240 pounds.

The man they carried had risked his life to obtain for his little daughter a pigeon from a cote at the pinnacle of the building. He had fallen in the attempt and had remained helpless until the policemen came. He was Bernard Krzowski, watchman at the elevator. He died soon after he was conveyed to the Emergency Hospital.

It is supposed that Krzowski was trying to grab a pigeon in the dark and fell from a platform on the eighteenth floor, a distance of 20 feet.

It was the watchman's duty to "pull" the watch service boxes on the different floors as he ascended the winding stairway. When the last "pull" from the eighteenth floor failed to register at the watch service office in La Salle street, a "runner" was sent to ascertain the cause and the injured man was found.

## A Home Made Happy by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

About two months ago our baby girl had measles which settled on her lungs and at last resulted in a severe attack of bronchitis. We had tried every doctor but no relief was obtained. Everybody thought she would die. I went to eight different stores to find a certain remedy which had been recommended to me and failed to get it. When one of the storekeepers insisted that I try Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, I did so and our baby is alive and well today.—Geo. W. Spence, Hollis Springs, N. C. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy always cures and is pleasant to take. For sale by Osgood Bros., 7th and Broadway.

## DISPOSES OF PROPERTY WORTH \$1,000,000

**LOS ANGELES, Dec. 26.**—The will of the late Michael Gillespie, vice-president of the Illinois Central, disposing of property valued at \$1,000,000, was probated in the Superior Court Tuesday. The widow and seven children receive the estate. It is located in Iowa and other States.

## Absolutely Correct

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## EX-DISTRICT ATTORNEY FREE FROM CHARGE

**SAN JOSE, Dec. 26.**—On motion of the district attorney, the case against ex-District Attorney Herrington for alleged bribery was dismissed by Judge Welch Tuesday. The dismissal was due to the fact that the chief witnesses for the prosecution could not be compelled to testify.

## Hay's Hair Health

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## GIESBERGER WINES







# THREE CHAMPIONS IN ONE RING ON NEW YEAR'S DAY

## That Is What Coffroth Offers the Boxing Fans of the Coast for His Open- ing Show of 1908.

BY EDDIE SMITH.

When Abe Attell and Owen Moran step into the ring for their twenty-five round punch-fest there will also be another champion in the ring who will attract some attention. Jim Jeffries, who is to be the referee, is the most sought-after champion we have had since the days of Sullivan. It is true that the men and boys of the streets have never followed Jeffries as they did Sullivan, but his peculiar characteristics have made him something of a curio and the average follower is as anxious to gaze on the big fellow now in his retirement as he was when he was fighting.

Three champions in the ring at one time is a thing that one will not often witness and is worthy of mention.

If Promoter Coffroth had been trained in his advertising stunts in a circus he would have pasted the fences with large posters with glaring letters announcing the fact that on New Year's day three world-famous champions will be seen in the same ring at one and the same time. It is costing Coffroth \$1000 to have Jeffries in the ring as the referee, so he may as well advertise him as a freak just as a show man would a giant in the side show.

Will Jeffries bother the little fellow? His wondrous size and strength when he is breaking them apart? He has been asked several times during the past week. Some seem to think he is too big and some think he is too slow to handle the fast little fellows.

The proof that all these suppositions are wrong lies in the fact that Abe Attell, who no one who knows him will say is a fool, demanded Jeffries as the referee before leaving Los Angeles. Jeffries has refused contests before for the ghetto champion and it is a cinch he would not have asked for him as the third man in the ring unless the big fellow knew how to handle the small men.

The referee in the coming contest is peculiarly tied up by both the contestants in such a manner that he will be unable to favor either man in anything he does in the ring. It would hardly be probable that Jeff would do such a thing, but even if he felt so disposed he would be unable to agree with himself which had the closest claim on his favors. Attell is attached to Jeffries through a fast personal friendship that has existed for years and was testified to when the little Hebrew asked that he be selected referee of the contest.

Owen Moran does not know Jeffries and perhaps has never seen him. He is connected in another way, however, that forbids the champion showering any favors on his opponent. Charlie Harvey, the New York sporting man, is Moran's manager and has been looking after the interests of the Britisher since his arrival in this country. Harvey is also Coffroth's New York representative and confidant. Harvey has sent his boy here to be looked after by Coffroth, who, in turn for the favors done him in New York by Harvey, must see that his charge gets none the worst of the dealing.

Now Jeffries is as friendly to Coffroth as any man in the land. It was Coffroth who promoted the shows in which the big fellow got his largest purses and, aside from the personal friendship that exists between the men, Jeff would feel duty bound to do what was fair by Coffroth.

So, you see, Jeffries not only has his personal honesty to guarantee a fair deal to all, but is duty bound to each fighter in such a manner that he must and will watch the contest like a hawk in order that he may render a fair decision.

This fact will suit the fans to a nicety, for if any one thing more than another spoils a good contest it is the rendering of a bad decision after the contest has been fought and fairly won by either of the contestants.

If Abe Attell can beat Moran and keep the championship in America, then all well and good, but if Moran is his master we want him to get a fair deal. There has never been a lighter visiting these parts that made such an instantaneous hit with the sporting people as the clean cut little fellow from England. He is a quiet, unassuming little chap and a gentleman at all times and if he can prove the master of our champion we will all be glad that such a fine little man was the one to win the only championship that America has lost to England in so long—what's the use, Coffroth announced last evening that he would visit Attell today and with the power invested in him by the agreement ask Attell to weigh for him. This will settle the question of weight at one camp and perhaps the next day will settle the talk as to weight at the Moran camp.

Battling Nelson and "Kid" Scaler will meet tonight at the Tuxedo and talk over the articles of agreement for a contest between the pair. Jimmy Quinn of Vallejo has made an offer to handle the contest and says that if the men will agree to meet he will stage them for a contest to take place at Vallejo on January 28th.

Scaler has posted \$2500 with Eddie Graney to go as a side bet and as Nelson is of the opinion that he will be able to beat Scaler with ease he will no doubt accept the offer to fight him. Nelson last night posted \$1000 with Graney to show that he meant business and tonight he says he will put up the remainder of the \$2500.

# STANFORD FIFTEEN PLAYS GREAT GAME IN VANCOUVER

## Cardinal Warriors Lose by Small Margin of 3 Goals to 0 After Exciting Conflict.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 28.—Although the cardinal warriors from Stanford University played a brilliant game of Rugby football here yesterday afternoon, they lost to Vancouver by the narrow margin of 3 to 0. The game was the first in a series of three for the Keith Cooper trophy.

The small score gives a good indication of the equality of the teams. There was little to choose between the teams, and it was only after sixty minutes of playing and with just five minutes more to go that Fayson of Vancouver scrambled over the line and scored the only try of the match, Marpole failing with the kick.

Vancouver showed better form in the scrums, but the Stanford players were always there with a come-back in the scrums, and outplayed the British Columbia men at the angle of the game.

Stanford beat Vancouver for possession twice out of three times, and their handling was clear, crisp and quick.

Compared with this Vancouver did not play so well for on the rare occasions when they did obtain possession of the leather they hung on in last rank instead of coming out straight.

# WEBSTERS AND CENTURYS TIE IN GAME AT ALAMEDA

## Poor Condition of the Grounds Interferes With Snappy Playing and Neither Side Scores.

The football eleven of the Webster and Century athletic clubs gave a good exhibition of American football under the revised rules at Recreation Park in Alameda yesterday afternoon, but owing to the slippery condition of the field neither side was able to score.

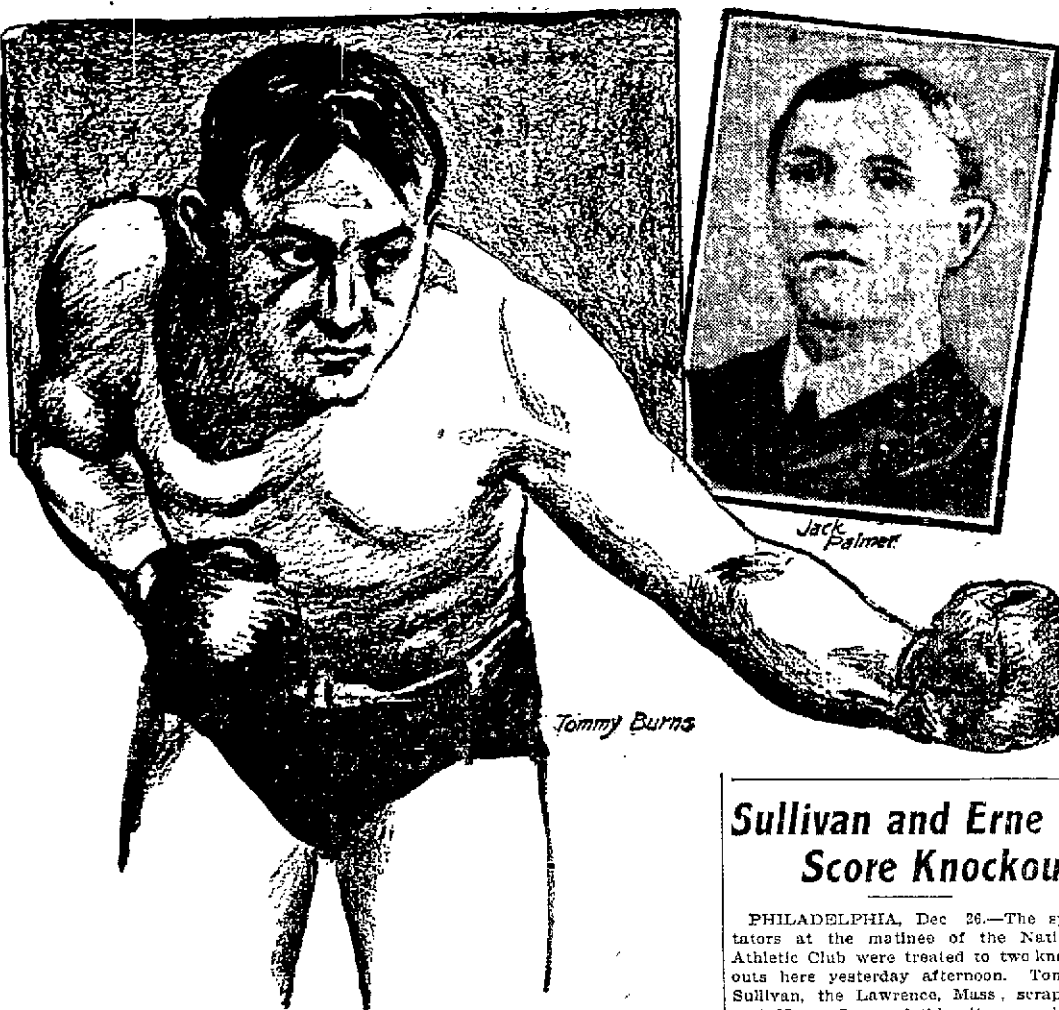
Fullback Walshaw of the Webster team crossed the line of the Century team towards the close of the game, but after a hot discussion the score was not allowed, it being decided by the officials that the game had technically ended before the score was made.

The game was a disappointment to those lovers of American football who had come expecting to see the effect of the new rules, and the campaign of the game. Straight football was the vogue, the deviation being the frequent resort to punting by both teams.

Moir of the Century team hardly played up to expectations, making a bad fumble during the first half and falling for the "man on the spot" as he is credited with being. Seale, one of the Century's guards, blocked a kick during the first half, a spectacular play for which he was roundly applauded.

Hunter, captain of the Century team, ran in the kick-off in the second half, twenty-five yards, the longest run of the game. The backs of both teams played a strong bucking game, but both teams excelled in open field play for the defense. In the first half Webster won because the question of superiority was

TOMMY BURNS AND JACK PALMER, THE MAN WHOM THE WILY CARIBOU HAS  
PICKED OUT FOR A VICTIM IN ENGLAND IN THE NEAR FUTURE.



# STATE LEAGUE WILL HAVE EIGHT CLUBS NEXT SEASON

## Organization Is to Make Strong Bid for Patronage in the Bay Cities.

BY T. P. MAGILLIGAN.

The return of the Honolulu Stars from the Hawaiian Islands, where they had a very successful trip has caused considerable fanning where the gentle baseball "bugs" are wont to gather.

State League adherents are out with the ante season announcement that they will have an eight-club league, and declare that when the roster of their clubs is published it will cause the baseball fans of the bay cities to sit up and take notice.

This is good news to the baseball fans who can't have too much baseball of the proper kind, and if the State League carries out its plan of importing some of the Eastern stars and gubbing up a few of the Coast League stars that organization is bound to reap a rich harvest in patronage.

State League magnates are keeping what direct plans they have to themselves, but they are throwing out broad hints about the number of good players that they intend to use.

At any rate, the present state of baseball affairs indicate that there is great "unrest" in baseball circles generally, and it is now beyond question that the magnates of baseball will have to institute some reforms or there will be considerable unpleasantness during the coming season.

Already the major league territory is threatened with an invasion from the American Association. The latter body proposes to put a club in Chicago, and this is not at all pleasing to the major league managers.

If the American Association puts a club in Chicago they have Jimmy Callahan at the head of it, and his personal popularity will draw crowds that will surely hurt the attendance at both the National and American League grounds in the windy city.

If the State League grows militant here, and carries out its program to import stars and secure stars from the Coast League it will certainly effect the receipts of the Coast League. An eight-club league is always an attractive body, especially if there are some stars on the various teams. A league with this number of clubs in it is sure to lend variety something that baseball fans crave in their favorite sport. A four-club league may pay, and we have every assurance that the Coast League paid last year, but at the same time one can't deny the fact that with only four clubs in a league and an unusually long season, there is apt to be much monotony, and a waning of the baseball spirit.

Just how many clubs the Coast League will have next season has not yet been decided, but if the State League has eight clubs, with a sprinkling of stars, the Coast League will have to do some bolstering or the State League is liable to cut into the large popularity that the Coast League enjoyed last season.

Recently Harry C. Pulliam, president of the National League, was asked if organized baseball was a trust, and his reply to that question, and his reasons, are given below:

"Question—Do you consider organized baseball a trust?"

"Answer—I do not. A trust, as I understand it, is a combination for the purpose of controlling the necessities of life or public utilities, and has for its main object the despoiling of the producer and wage earner, the annihilation of the middleman and the extortion of the consumer. The only beneficiary of a trust is a small circle that dominates the trust. In baseball, through the workings of the national agreement, the creator of organized baseball, the interests of every one concerned are protected and the wage earner is benefited more than all. Never in the history of the game were ball players paid better salaries than they are today, and yet the promoting of baseball as a professional sport is a most hazardous venture. There are 37 leagues in organized baseball, representing 259 cities, and I believe it is a fair estimate to say that during the past year the average of the clubs that made money was one in five.

"Question—If not, explain why it is not."

"Answer—Referred to answer No. 1."

"Question—How much money, approximately, is invested in the game in the country?"

"Answer—I cannot answer this question—hand. It would require a careful inquiry."

"Question—Do you believe that organized baseball is justified in black-listing players who have jumped contracts?"

"Answer—Absolutely. The player who signs a contract accepts money on it, and then who is bribed either by cash in hand or promise of greater pay to jump the contract that he entered upon, is a crook pure and simple, and he should be black-listed as such. I believe, however, that each case should be carefully considered on its merits, and if there are any extenuating circumstances and the player shows an inclination to be square in the future, then he should be given a chance to work with honest men."

"Question—When you declare a league an outlaw organization if it insisted on establishing or trying to establish clubs in cities where other leagues were already settled?"

"Answer—Professional baseball depends upon civic pride for its chief source of support. Take away civic pride from ball players and the majority of the owners, throughout our country, and make it simply an exhibition of skill and sport by Tom, Dick and Harry, and professional baseball would be a thing of the past inside of ten days. It is absolutely necessary, therefore, in order to protect property interests and induce capital to finance an organization of expensive baseball players that they be protected, and therefore, I would consider any league antagonistic to the best interests of baseball as a professional sport that invaded the territory rights of any club in organized baseball."

"Question—Who appoints the club manager, in your league, the club owner or league President?"

"Answer—The club President, not the league President."

"Question—Is it true that a ball player when he signs his first contract is virtually a slave, that he is protected, and through his skill or proficiency through the operation of the draft or purchase and, in case he is so advanced in his profession, his salary must be raised in keeping with the class to which he advances. Any player who feels that he has been wronged in any way in a financial transaction with his club has the right to appeal to the Board of Directors of his league, and from that decision he has a final appeal to the National Commission, and the records of the National Commission show that no ball player with good cause has ever appealed in vain."

"Question—Is there a working agreement between the major leagues regarding salaries, management and policy in addition to the national agreement?"

"Answer—There is not."

"HARRY C. PULLIAM."

# Sullivan and Erne Score Knockouts

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 28.—The spectators at the matinee of the National Athletic Club were treated to two knockouts here yesterday afternoon. Tommy Sullivan, the Lawrence, Mass. scrapper, sent Harry Jones of this city on a journey to slumberland in the third round. The blow that turned the trick was a right-hand cross to the point of the jaw.

Young Erne in his bout with Joe Galligan of Chicago scored a knockout with a right cross in the fifth round of the day's main event.

Sullivan was to have met Eddie Chambers, but the latter had a sore arm and failed to appear. Jones took Chambers' place, and while he out-weighted Tommy by a considerable margin, was no match for the Lawrence fighter.

Joe Galligan, in his bout with Young Erne, proved to be game and aggressive, but showed little defense. Galligan got in some damaging blows with his left to Erne's stomach, but he was wild with his swings.

In the other bouts Percy Cove of Seattle, Washington, outpointed Kid Beebe, and Tommy Lee of Indianapolis was unable to continue after the third round and claimed to have been fouled by his opponent, Young Loughrey.

# ELEVEN FROM NEBRASKA WIN FROM COLORADO CREW

## Cornhuskers Show Superiority at the New American Game and Score 39 to 0 Victory Before Large Crowd.

BERKELEY, Dec. 26.—Picked teams from the Colorado and Nebraska contested for navy football honors on California field yesterday afternoon, with the Nebraska team winning by a score of 39 to 0 in favor of the cornhuskers. The Colorado team was handicapped by inferior weight and their game and vigorous playing could not overcome this advantage.

The Nebraska team went into the fight with the prestige of eight consecutive victories in the last few weeks at their backs. Their team playing was dependent in great measure on their mass plays where their superior avoirdupois counted for much.

Over 5000 people saw the fight. The game was reviewed in the old time football. The forward pass was a feature that interested the hundreds of California and Stanford aridron men. Both teams were accompanied by big bands of rollers, whose efforts of making noise were equal to any bunch of college athletes.

The Nebraska team had the kick off and rolled off the first touch down in exactly three minutes. At the end of the first half Nebraska had 16 to their credit.

In the second half Colorado played desperately but only once were they in sight of a touchdown. Three feet from the line they lost the ball and their opportunity to get men to mark was fast.

William Reed, the ex-Harvard coach, refereed the game, and Walter Christie was umpire. The other officials were selected from among the Nebraska and Stanford football players of the University of California. The band from the Nebraska was on hand to enliven the proceedings and to assist the men of the battleship who were in the rooting section. The teams lined up as follows:

Nebraska	Colorado
Mongomery	L. E. Baesham
Larkin	L. T. Stevens
White	L. G. Tattersall
Sanders	C. Keeler
Chalou	R. G. Kephart
Taylor	R. E. Moore
Moore	R. E. Moore
Ingram	C. H. Teague
Parker	R. H. Shucklett
Boken	P. E. Ellis

The game was played under the revised American rules and was singularly free from roughness. Johnson, the army left end, was injured about the head while tackling in the first half, and had to be carried from the field, but the injury was purely accidental.

The poor condition of the ground, which was very wet and slippery, made accurate play impossible.

About 1000 persons witnessed the game. The line-up:

Army	Position	Navy
Hacking	R. E. L.	Johnson
Lathrop	R. T. L.	Wuestenberg
Thorsen	R. G. L.	Morgan
Mizell	C. G. L.	Launett
Nelson	L. G. R.	Cummings
Waters	L. E. R.	Selbring
Minnick	L. E. R.	Kostala
Scott	R. H. L.	Burke
Seneca	L. H. R.	Donohue
Brown	Q.	Minnick

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 28.—J. F. Moran, of Chelsea, Mass., and Iver Lawson, of Salt Lake City, won the twenty-four hour bicycle race, which commenced here last night. In the twenty-four hours they covered 61 miles and 3 laps. Pat Logan, of Boston, and W. E. Brown, of Davenport, Ia., were tied with Moran and Lawson at the conclusion of the race, and a mile sprint was necessary to decide the winners.

For third place three teams tied, but after a sprint the place went to Floyd Krebs of Newark, N. J., and Hugh McLean of Chelsea. Bedell brothers, of Long Island City, were fourth.

# Hornets to Play Sacramento Stars

In arranging to play a team picked from the clubs of the Sacramento Valley Football League on New Year's day, the Oakland Hornets have taken on a big contest and may have to call on some of their old club players now associated with other clubs to help out. Sacramento is no longer a second-rate team. Freeman's Park, Oakland, has been selected in which to play the game.

# CHRISTMAS HANDICAP GOES TO KEENE ENTRY

BY LEE DEMIER.

The Christmas Handicap, one of the richest plums of the local racing season, resulted yesterday in a triumph for Keene Brothers, who won both first and second places in the big event with their two starters, Clamor and Red Leaf. Clamor, the winner, was an added starter which was entered with the light impost of ninety-two pounds. The three-year-old son of Gold Heels ran a remarkable race. Off none too well, he was outworn in the first part of the race and his chances seemed very remote until a chestnut colt moved up with a remarkable burst of speed to beat the favorite, and just as the race was closing, and just as the Keene brothers were about to win, the latter was easily second best and the Keene brothers would have won the stake with either of their horses. Clamor ran prominently in the early part of the journey but tired in the home run. Keene Bros' victory, which was aided by Jockey Kirschbaum's excellent ride on the winner, was a very popular one, and a great demonstration greeted Clamor when he returned to the stand.

A typical holiday crowd journeyed to Williams Park this afternoon to witness the running of the Christmas Handicap. The weather was chilly, and the track was heavy and stiff, especially on the rail. Thirty-six books cut in for the holiday betting, including four field books and a combination book. The bookmakers report that the betting was heavier than on any previous day this season. Nearly 12,000 visitors were at the course.

The race, a six-furlong sprint, was won by La Rose, with Ross Light second and Dr. Sherman third. Lee Demier, a TRIBUNE racing expert, picked this race one, two, three, in his morning forecast. Ross Light, which was given for a strong play across the board, finished second, with tenning odds offered against her chances for the place.

In the second race, a distance event at one mile and half, J. J. Clamor, the popular Oakland horseman, annexed the purse with his good gelding Byronerdale. In consequence of Byronerdale's victory many Oaklanders are looking for the possession of abundant Christmas money this evening. Clamor advised all his friends to back his horse and as a result of the heavy play made by his followers Byronerdale's price in the ring was forced from five down to four. Clamor, which was well-timed as a good thing, got the place, while show honors fell to Iras.

The third race furnished the most exciting finish of the day. Herodotus, Amalious and Nappa came down the stretch neck and neck, and finished heads apart. Clamor, which was the favorite, won. Herodotus, which was pocketed several times, had to be much the best. W. W. Miller put up a weird ride on Nappa.

Warto Nicht, a forty-to-one shot, won the fifth race in a hard drive from Lazell. Lazell was off badly or he would have won.

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Nicht, took home a sack full of the shining metal on the win of his horse.

Harvey Mason fooled the local talent, but the New York contingent were "Jerry" to Herodotus.

(Razor Pete) and a bunch of his colored followers got full of Christmas gin after Yank met defeat.

I started the Christmas crowd off on their stride when La Rose took the day's opener.

Lovely Mary was sent back to the cabbage patch after her race. The King of Mist did not like the going.

Rosely Light was my best bet across the board—12 to 1. A place wasn't hard to take on this bird.

Jockey Reggie Davis picked out the dry spots with Byronerdale, which won for Jack Crane's brown gelding. Judge Morgan of San Francisco was the center of attraction at Williams Park yesterday.

Emoryville Ryan called the first race 1-3. Thirty-six books took care of the large Christmas gathering.

The Arcadia bunch got what the little boy shot at in the handicap. While the offer here, was at the track his morning looking for Jockey Cricket Kelly.

The large Christmas crowd that purchased the morning TRIBUNE racing edition were a happy looking lot coming from the races.

Big Store sold out all of his dolls and closed up shop early.

Trainer Wm. Reed of the Keen Brothers barn early understood his business. There are but few men around Williams Park that have got it on this condition of thoroughness.

The Keens could have won the Christmas Handicap with either Red Lip or Clamor.

Bookmaker H. telegraphed a "Where do you get your money Hugh?"

It is said that Red Walker scratched Edwin Gum for Glen Heide. The Arcadia bunch got what they had another one in the hole.

The New York Club, after spending a cut in at Arcadia, are back again at the old stand at Williams Park.

Charley McCafferty will from now on feed Jacama. Terms private.

Jockey Kirschbaum is branching out as a star.

Elba, with Jockey Lynch up was the paddock trip that went glimmering.

Jockey F. Wilson put up a strong finish on Rossy Light.

Bonar pulled up bleeding as usual.

The firm of Hock & Saule are getting the coin on both ends.

Mose Gunst has joined the regulars. His operations are not so large as in the good old days.

After Jockey Cules won his race on Herodotus, some one asked Sam McGibbon who is making the colored riders' engagements, Sam said that Western A. Smith is looking after the boys. Al says his book is full until next Thursday.

Warte Nicht took the mile dash as if he had four iron legs.

The wine of Byronerdale did not look good to the judges and they concluded to suspend Jockey Pallas.

Harry Mason got a cheap horse when he picked up Herodotus at New York for \$200.

Jockey McClain was given a routing reception by his Seattle followers when he made his appearance on Poole L. in the closing race since his mishap at Lewiston, Idaho, last fall.

# THE PORTLAND HANDICAP

Six furlongs, \$1500 added; to be run Saturday, December 28.

Woodma	55	Wing	55
Pure Rose	50	Johnny Lyons	100
Pinkie	50	Tommy Faust	110
Judge Nelson	100	Montgomery	120
Bell of Irons	50	Veal	100
Bevel	120	Grac	100
Waterbury	50	Ingham	55
Flaming	100	Blondy	55
Archob	100	Crip	55
Golden Shore	50	Thompson	55
Rosemont	50	Grombol	55
Rideman	100	Adair	55
Green Seal	100	Sam McGibbon	55
Red Ben	50	Com	55
Confidence	50	Neva	100
Plumfield	50	F. Neugut	100
Hazzell	50	Glenham	55
Mouline	50	Dr. Coleman	55
Green Shore	50	Avena	55
Marion Rose	55	Calla	55
Saurida	50	Max L. N.	55
Silva	50	Meelin	55
Savvy	50	Max Amelia	55
Sen. Warner	50	Jack Nunnally	100
Fantastic	100	St. Elmwood	110
Mortboy	50	Hillcut	55
Romilda	50	Ferd	55
Bankara	50	Roada	100
Pinkum	100	Huefano	55
Ovelando	50	Gomall	110

"Well weighted subject to ruling of the Jockey Club."

TEMACED WINE CHRISTMAS HANDICAP  
NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 26.—The Christmas Handicap, mile and a sixteenth, was won yesterday by Temaced, 107 (Martin), 20 to 1, 2nd, Sally Preston, 95 (Martin), 20 to 1, 3rd, Plantland, 112 (Minder), 2



## Government Officials Disputing Over a Philippine Naval Station at Subig Bay

PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE PRINCIPALS IN THE PHILIPPINE NAVAL BASE DISPUTE, AND MAP SHOWING LOCATION OF SUBIG BAY TO MANILA BAY. ON THE LEFT IS SECRETARY OF WAR TAFT, WHO IS OPPOSED TO SUBIG BAY AS A NAVAL STATION AND, ON THE RIGHT IS ADMIRAL DEWEY, WHO FAVORS ITS SELECTION. IN THE LOWER RIGHT CORNER IS GENERAL LEONARD WOOD, WHO ARGUED AGAINST SUBIG BAY.



## GHOSTS HAUNT TROLLEY CAR

With Nobody Aboard and Pole Two Feet From Wire Vehicle Makes Long Trip.

A haunted trolley car is the latest sensation out at East Rutherford, New Jersey.

The car, which is one of a well-known half-dozen that daily run through East Rutherford, over the tracks of the Newark and Hackensack line, was always considered perfectly normal until Friday. Just what is the matter with it now no one seems able to determine.

The car (No. 47 for purposes of identification) had been run in from Hackensack to the car barns at East Rutherford and was left standing on a siding while the motorman and conductor went into the barn to get their midday meal. Before going the motorman had taken the precaution to remove the controller and the conductor had pulled the trolley two feet down from the overhead wire and tied it.

**HALF MOAN, HALF HOOT.**

While the car was standing all by itself employees sitting in the car barns noticed a peculiar electric disturbance in the air, and could also hear a strange sound, half moan, half hoot, unlike any sound they had ever heard before. One man wanted to go out and investigate, but his companions laughed at him and told him the sound was merely the ordinary noise of a trolley spool on a wire. Probably the spool was stiff, they said. Just then a hatless man dashed to the door and cried that the car that had been standing outside was moving away on its own account, with its trolley pole two feet short of the wire. The laughing men left their food and hurried out in time to see the car rapidly disappearing.

**SULPHUROUS SMELL.**

Although the car's trolley pole was 'way short of the wire, it was spitting a shower of blue sparks. Some of the men de la re positively that a distinct sulphurous smell filled the air.

The car was away two hours. In that time it was seen by hundreds of persons. There was no one on either of its platforms, no one was inside it. It ran the entire length of the trip to Hackensack, doubled the loop there, and came back to the East Rutherford barn, where it started. Then it stopped of its own accord.

One man who followed it in an automobile declares the car invariably slowed down when in danger of overtaking a car ahead. Since none of the persons who met it knew anything about trolley cars no one dared board it.

Expert electricians who examined the car after its return to the barn were unable to find anything wrong with it. The whole occurrence is a profound mystery.

**BRUTE AND HUMAN DRUG TESTERS.**

A lot of sorry-looking chickens, dogs and cats loafed in the black, ill-smelling yard of the great chemical plant.

"We use these animals to test our drugs on," said the chemist. "They come in very handy. They more than earn their board."

"Ergotine is a drug we test on chickens. It is a simple test. If a dose of ergotine fails to turn a chicken's comb black, we know that the drug is, for some reason or other, worthless."

"Hashish we test on dogs. Hashish is made of female hemp buds; male hemp buds have no medicinal value; yet some dishonest dealers put male buds on the market and since they resemble the female buds precisely, it is impossible to detect them save by an actual test. Dogs, given hashish, get drunk and happy if the stuff is good."

"Digitalis, the heart stimulant, is tested on frogs. We inject a drop of it into a frog's stomach, and in the kymograph, or heart-recording machine, we study the changes that take place in the frog's heart action. Thus we get a very accurate knowledge of what our digitalis can do."

"Do we ever test drugs on ourselves? Oh, yes, indeed; often. Chemists have lost their lives, chemists have gone incurably insane, through too rash a bravery in testing drugs on their own persons."

## IRISH BEAUTY WINS CONTEST

Daughter of Erin Declared Handsomest Woman in State of Nevada.

RENO, Nevada.—The people of the Sagebrush State recently balloted on the question as to who was the most beautiful woman in the State, and the honor has fallen on Mrs. I. W. O'Rourke of Reno, a native of Ireland.

Mrs. O'Rourke was born not many years ago in old Erin and was known in her childhood days as Nora Kirby, and her beauty has always been remarked even in that land of beautiful women.

Her parents lavished every advantage of education upon her and at an early age she was sent to a preparatory school to England. Later her education was completed in Paris and Florence where she took up the cultivation of her voice which was naturally one of great sweetness, and after receiving the training of some of the best vocalists of the continent she went to San Francisco, where, as usual, she became immediately popular.

In San Francisco she married Dr. I. W. O'Rourke in 1898 and after five years they removed to Reno, where she immediately assumed a high place in musical circles. She has been always an active society woman and has been prominent in Catholic church circles.

There wasn't a son of the old sod that didn't help her out by his vote. She was regarded as the candidate of the Irish people in Nevada and they rallied to her standard.

**OTHER WINNERS.**

Other prize winners were: Second, Miss Jennie York, Glendale; third, Miss Lena Dornio, Reno; fourth, Mrs. H. D. Ramsey, Reno; fifth, Mrs. W. C. Driver, Bishop, Cal.

**DESERVED ONLY A NICKEL.**

A prominent charity worker of New York said the other day about Miss Gladys Vanderbilt:

"When this good and charming girl goes to Hungary as the Countess Szechenyi, I know of certain hospital wards where she will be missed."

He paused and smiled.

"But let me tell you," he said, "of an incident that befell Miss Vanderbilt last year. There was a children's hospital which she visited regularly, bringing fruit and flowers to the little patients, and in a certain ward a boy was pointed out to her one day as a very bad customer."

"Oh, he is incorrigible," sighed the nurse.

"Miss Vanderbilt talked a while with the little chap, and when she rose to go she said:

"See here, I have heard bad reports about you. Now I want you to promise me to be good. If you are good for a whole week, I'll give you a dollar when I come again next Thursday."

"The boy promised to try to be good. This promise though, he did not keep. On her next visit Miss Vanderbilt, going to his cot, said:

"I shall not ask the nurses how you have behaved this last week. I want you to tell me yourself. Now what do you think—do you deserve that dollar I promised you, or not?"

"The boy regarded Miss Vanderbilt with a troubled frown. Then he said in a low voice:

"Gimme a nickel."

## LITTLE GIRLS ROB CHILDREN

Make Practice of Taking Small Change and Jewelry From Youngsters.

PHILADELPHIA.—Police of the Front and Master streets station were given a new problem to solve when they were informed that somewhere in their district two bold and desperate highwaymen were robbing at will and preying upon the younger portion of the population.

But most unusual of all was the statement that these criminals were not men nor even women. They are two little girls, so young that their dresses still come only to their knees, and neither more than fifteen years old.

**OPERATE EXTENSIVELY.**

According to the reports, these juvenile lawbreakers have operated extensively among children smaller than themselves. In a number of cases, the story goes, they have held up and robbed little boys and girls of small change and of jewelry. Children along Jefferson street between Fourth and Seventh are so terrified that they will not venture outside the house after dark, and watchful parents have been looking for the girl robbers.

The case was first brought to the attention of the police by the story of ten-year-old Irene Keefe, of 418 Jefferson street. She says she was stopped near Lawrence and Oxford streets several days ago, while on an errand, by two girls, who robbed her of two of her rings and tried to steal a locket which she had on a chain around her neck.

**NOT LOCATED.**

"They told me," she said, "that they wanted me to go across the street to a house and get some clothes that were there for them. But when I started to go they stopped me."

"You had better give me your rings before you go there," one of them said to me. "For an old witch lives there, and she might take them from you."

Irene hesitated and was about to run home, when one of them offered her 10 cents if she would bring the clothes back. That decided her, and she pulled off her rings and gave them to the girls. Then one of the girls grasped the locket, and at this Irene became more afraid of them than of the witch, and ran home without the rings.

The police since then have been looking for the girls, but have not been able to find them.

**SOME CURIOUS WILLS.**

A woman who died recently at Rye, near White Plains, N. Y., had kept a prosperous boarding house; her married life was believed to be happy and ideal. Yet after she died and her will was read it was discovered she had cut her husband off with \$1.

"Although I have lived with my husband," ran the will, "I have done so for shame's sake. He has been anything to me except a kind and loving husband, but, on the contrary, he has been devilishly cruel and harsh toward me. I have learned to hate and detest him."

An estate of \$20,000 left by Joseph Widrewitz, of New York, was devised to his wife, his children and the father of the testator. The will, which was filed in the Surrogate's office, was written in Hebrew. At the bottom all the children had written that they "were satisfied with the will."

According to the document, \$2000 was to be reserved as a wedding gift for his widow should she marry a second time.

Can one leave a mental will? Or can a knowledge of the wishes of a deceased person constitute a legal will? According to a decision of a Connecticut judge it can.

Mrs. Mary E. Rose died last year, leaving an estate valued at \$10,000. She made a will leaving her property

## WIFE AND DAUGHTER OF BANKER WHO TOOK HIS OWN LIFE IN NEW YORK CITY



IN THIS PICTURE ARE SHOWN THE WIFE AND DAUGHTERS OF THE LATE CHARLES T. BARNEY, THE BANKER WHO COMMITTED SUICIDE IN THE UPPER LEFT HAND CORNER IS MRS. ARCHIBOLD STEVENS ALEXANDER, THE ELDEST DAUGHTER; IN THE PANEL AT THE RIGHT IS MRS. CHARLES T. BARNEY; BELOW IS MRS. CORTLANDT DIXON BARNEY, ANOTHER DAUGHTER. MR. BARNEY'S HOUSE IS ALSO SHOWN AND WITH A DIAGRAM SHOWING THE SCENE AND METHOD OF HIS DEATH. HE WAS HEAD OF THE KNICKERBOCKER TRUST CO. UP TO THE TIME IT WENT INTO THE HANDS OF THE RECEIVER.

to charity. After her death the Rose homestead was burned to the ground and the will was destroyed.

The heirs and friends told Judge H. Wythe, Gregory of the contents of the burned will. He admitted the imaginary will to probate.

In a document consisting of twenty typewritten pages, George W. Duffenbaugh, who died some time ago in Kokomo, Ind., left \$50,000 to his church if it should elect his spirit a

member of the board of trustees. He also provided for his widow and children.

According to the will, Duffenbaugh, who was an adherent of Swedenborgian doctrines, believed his spirit would continue to take an interest in the affairs of the church and stipulated that meetings of the trustees were to be held at certain times and his spirit consulted on important church affairs.

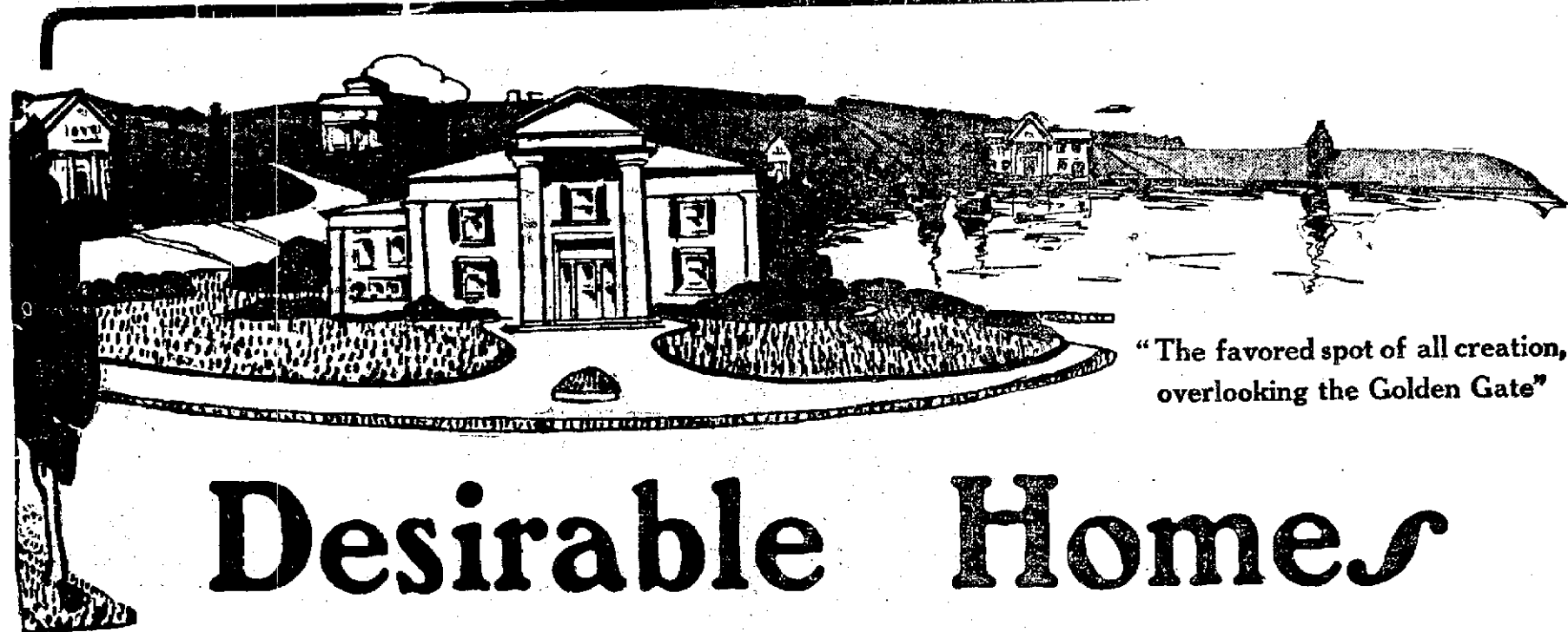
**DANGER IN DELAY.**

"Jason!"

"Well, Sir."

"This here Sunday supplement says the old earth won't last over 100,000,000 more years."

"It does? Great Josephus, Sir! I reckon you better hurry up and pay me that quarter you borrowed ten years ago. Delays are dangerous."—Chicago News.



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SECOND AMERICAN TO WIN THE NOBEL PRIZE

HERE IS A PICTURE OF PROF. ROBERT W. MICHOLSON, PH. D., LL. D., AND A LITTLE INVENTION OF HIS, CALLED THE INTERFEROMETER, BY MEANS OF WHICH HE WON THE NOBEL PRIZE FOR LIGHT RESEARCHES. BY HIS INVENTION, PROF. MICHOLSON WAS ABLE TO ESTABLISH TO A CERTAINTY THAT THE VELOCITY OF LIGHT IS 186,000 MILES PER SECOND. ONLY ONE OTHER AMERICAN HAS EVER RECEIVED THE NOBEL PRIZE, HE BEING PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT, WHO WAS HONORED BY BEING AWARDED THE NOBEL PEACE PRIZE.



CELEBRITIES LIKE LUXURIES

Many Like Motoring, Yachting and Others Have Passion for Fine Horses.

The recent victories of the race-horse Lotta, which is named after the one time famous courtesan of that name, and which is owned by the brother of the actress, is only one of many victories won by horses the ownership of which closely is connected with the stage. Indeed, the love which the average actor or actress has for outdoor life, as exemplified at the racetrack, the golf links, or the ocean is one of the chief characteristics of the people on the stage.

William Gillette's champion slow sailing yacht, Aunt Sally, Maude Adams' model dairy farm on Long Island and James K. Hackett's frequent excursions after big game hunting are some of the best known forms which this out of door activity takes.

May Irwin likes the open air so much that she spends all the time that she can spare from the theater or from her real estate interests in New York upon the island which she owns in the St. Lawrence river. There she entertains lavishly all summer.

MANY LIKE MOTORING. Dick Ferris, who not only is a manager, but an actor as well, and who has had the fortune to announce publicly that playing parts like that of Armand Duval in "Camille" makes him weary and sorry for his audiences, is a keen automobilist and frequently spends days in his machine.

The automobile lately has grown into great favor with stage folk, but there are many players who still retain their love for the horse for their out of door journeys, and many others who cling to pedestrianism as a means of exercise.

Wright Lorimer makes many short jumps in his automobile while on tour, and George M. Cohan is supposed to own the costliest motor car which is owned by any actor.

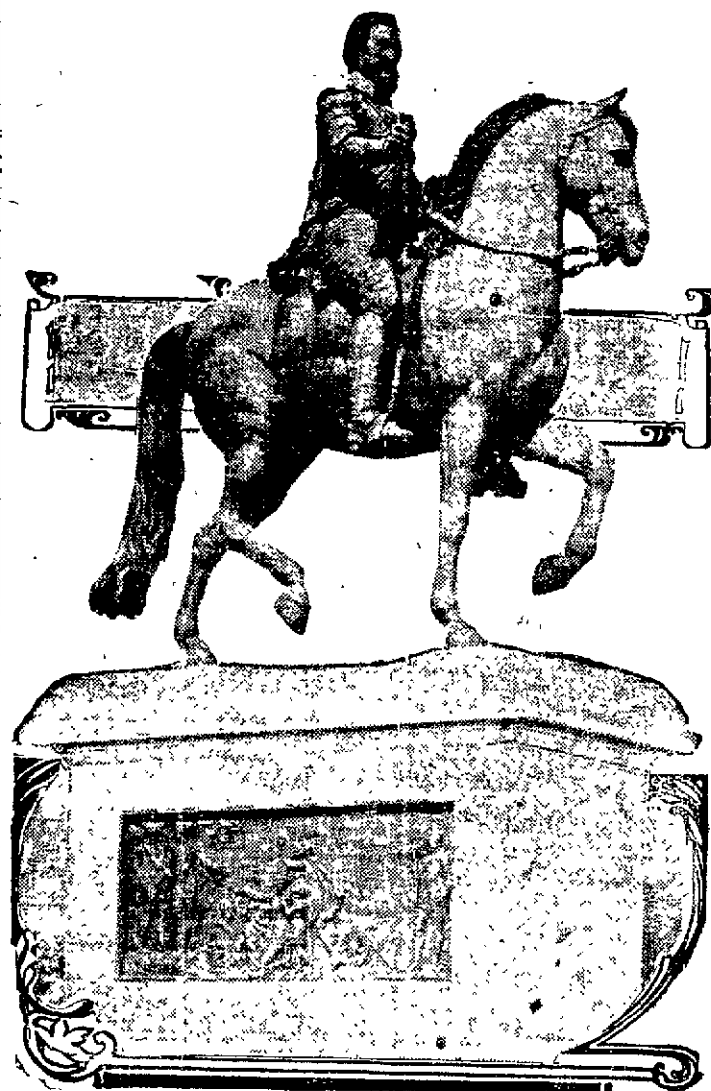
Mary Shaw, who plays "Mrs. Warren's Profession" again this year, is a farmer in the summer time. She has a place in upper New York where she goes and puts on farming clothes and manages the whole place.

Hap Ward loves the ocean and the automobile and lives alongside the Atlantic on one of the best automobile roads in New England.

LOTTA FOND OF HORSES. Lotta owns racehorses herself, just as she owns theaters and hotels and other good investment properties. Lillian Russell has a racing stable and the racing stables of Lily Langtry long have been famous. It was to recruit this stable with new and costly horses that Langtry undertook the last tour she made of the United States.

W. H. Thompson, a fine ripe old actor, whose archbishops and other princes of the church are among the best stage impersonations of those characters seen on the American stage in years, is one of the "demon golfers" of the theater. J. E. Dodson is another, and E. S. Willard, the English actor, is a third.

STATUE IN WHICH ANTI-BOURBON SONGS ARE HELD



THE FAMOUS STATUE OF HENRI IV, WHICH STANDS ON THE POINT NEUF IN PARIS, ON WHICH THE "COMMISSION OF OLD PARIS" WISHES TO "OPERATE," THE DOCUMENT WRITTEN BY THE BRASS FOUNDER MEANILL, WHICH WAS RECENTLY DISCOVERED, STATES THAT WHEN NAPOLEONIC POWER IN FRANCE HAD CRUMBED AND OR-

SQUIRRELS HULL NUTS FOR FLOUR-MAKING

STROUDSBURG, Pa.—Daniel Maltz, who has a farm near Pocono, this fall started a new industry, which he believes has wonderful possibilities. He is gathering chinquapins, that despised little cousin of the chestnut, and grinding them into flour. According to his claim, there is more nourishment in a pound of this flour than in a pound of wheat.

Chinquapins grow on a low, scrubby bush, and have a burr very like that of a chestnut. It is a tedious job to get at the nuts, which are no larger than hazel nuts, and for this reason few persons bother with them, notwithstanding the meat is sweet.

Maltz has a large collection of red squirrels, and he employs these little animals to hull the chinquapins for him. As fast as the burrs are removed, the squirrels carry the nuts to imitation hollow trees and deposit them. There is an opening within the trees, and the nuts drop into a hopper beneath, from which they are run into the grinding machinery.

After being bolted, the flour is packed in sacks for shipment.

The unique industry is only limited by the number of red squirrels. The owner is gathering all he can, but still he is running the plant short-handed.

EVER HAD EMPIRE SEEMED MORE BRILLIANT. The last flicker of the candle, the last flame of the dying fire, is ever the brightest, and so it was with Paris in 1898.

Never had the empire seemed more assured, the court more brilliant, the fetes more gorgeous. The light-hearted Parisians revelled in the daily sights of royal processions and cavalcades. The Bois de Boulogne and the Champs Elysees, where we were living at that time, were crowded with splendid equipages. I remember often seeing the Empress Eugenie, then the handsomest woman in Europe driving in her dan-

cers were given to melt all of NAPOLEON STATUES, HE HID IN THE STOMACH OF THE HORSE A SMALL STATUE OF NAPOLEON CONTAINING SONGS AGAINST THE BOURBON REGIME. HE SAID FURTHER THAT HE COULD REMOVE THE ARTICLES WITHOUT DAMAGING THE STATUE. THE "COMMISSION OF OLD PARIS" MEANS TO ACCOMPLISH THIS.

most, the green and gold liveries of the postillions, and the outriders making a brave show. Nor were four horses and postillions the privilege of royalty alone. Princess Metternich, the wife of the Austrian ambassador, often went out in similar style. The beautiful Mme de Camille, and the Duchess de Mouchy, the empress's greatest and perhaps only intimate friend and a host of court ladies habitually drove out in great state, and with the magnificence of their appearance to give Paris that air of elegance and distinction which could neither be surpassed nor emulated by any other capital in Europe. Even among those who had forebodings of the gathering storm no one had described the black shadow cast on the blue sky by the approaching figure of Belshazzar, her fierce eyes fixed on happy, smiling, tranquil France—Century.

GREAT RAILWAY BUILDING. In stating that the year 1903 was an exceptionally prosperous one for the railways of the Argentine Republic, Vice-Consul-General Otto Hollander concludes that no better illustration of its national progress could be had than the rapid development of these highways. He traces their growth in the following report from Buenos Aires.

In the year 1880 there were but 2516 kilometers (kilometer—0.62 of a mile) of railways, and the total amount of freight handled amounted to only 660,905 tons, while in 1903 there were 19,793 kilometers and the total amount of freight handled was 26,000,000 tons. The total capital invested in 1880 was \$645,000,000, there having been over \$600,000,000 expended on railroads during that period. Most of this has been invested by English capitalists and some by French capitalists, but other nations are now also realizing the advantages to be obtained from investments in this country, and two valuable concessions for new railroads have been granted this year to some French-Belgian capitalists.

GIRL SAVED BY A STRANGER

Smothers Flames With Coat and Rescues Tot From Certain Death.

DENVER.—Severely burned about the legs and the lower part of the body, the result of her clothes catching fire from a bonfire built by children near her home, Helen O'Neil, the four-year-old daughter of James O'Neil, 1336 Adams street, is suffering excruciating pain, while two physicians are working desperately in an effort to save her life.

That she was not burned to death at once was due to the quick action of a stranger, who wrapped her overcoat about her little form and smothered the blistering flames. He hurried away after turning the suffering child over to her parents and his identity was not learned.

The accident which resulted in the burning of the child and which may yet cause her death occurred about 5 o'clock Sunday evening. The little girl stole out of the house, unknown to her parents, and went to a vacant lot near by where several children of about her own age had set fire to a quantity of dried weeds. All were playing about the fire, when suddenly the O'Neil child uttered a piercing scream and her companions noticed that her dress had caught fire. Too frightened to go to her assistance, they also began to scream, and their cries attracted the attention of the unknown man, who hurried to the spot. Jerking off his overcoat, he wrapped it around the little girl and then rolled her on the ground, smothering the flames.

Her parents were unaware of the accident that had befallen their daughter until the man who had saved her from certain death carried her into the house. Doctors were at once summoned to attend the child. An examination showed that the flames had literally cooked the flesh on both legs and that the lower part of her body had been slightly burned.

Although her condition is not considered critical at this time, her recovery is by no means a certainty. In the event she does pull through there is a possibility that she will be crippled for life. If this condition is forestalled, skin grafting at least will be necessary to bring about her complete recovery.

The child has been conscious at all times since being burned and bears her pain stoically.

Winning Numbers of the Boys' Shop 10th and Washington Sts. Teddy Bear Contest

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A CARE FOR APPEARANCES. Some persons are extremely careful of appearances. One of these is a young woman who lives in a thirty-ninth street studio apartment. A few evenings ago she was visited by a number of friends who brought the accoutrements for an after-theater lunch. Naturally these were bottles in the basket, and before long they were empty bottle, and one of the gentlemen in the party proceeded to put them outside her door in the hallway.

"You mustn't do that," the hostess exclaimed. "What would I think if I found bottles were found in front of my door in the morning?" "All right," said the young man; "I'll fix that."

He therefore very carefully placed the bottles beside the door of another young woman's apartment near the elevator—New York Globe.

A CONUNDRUM. The following brilliant piece of wit is going the rounds. If an Irishman passing No. 34 Reade street sees three Italians shoveling snow off the sidewalk, what time is it? Ans.—Winter time.

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OFFICIATED AT 50,000 BURIALS

Dean of Undertaking Profession Dies After Remarkable Career in New York.

NEW YORK.—James Winterbottom, known as the oldest undertaker in New York, and who had officiated at probably 50,000 funerals in this city, was buried recently from the Church of the Holy Communion, at Sixth avenue and Twentieth street. He is mourned by scores of families, who recall that when they were too poor to pay for the burial of relatives he lightened their burden of woe by volunteering his services free.

It was all the same to Winterbottom whether his patrons were rich or poor. He made his basket in which John Jacob Astor was interred, and worked just as faithfully on the funeral coffins for which he received no pay.

Winterbottom numbered many distinguished men among his friends. Chester A. Arthur and Senator Booth were regular callers at his old place of business, at 11 Spring street, which he opened in 1833, and which is still conducted by his son. He came to this country from York, Va., England, in 1834, and since then had made thirty-two round trips across the Atlantic. His relatives were prosperous woolen manufacturers, and he intended to follow that trade in this country. After five years, however, he gave up his position in a shop which was located near the present site of the Brooklyn Terminal of the Bridge, and started to learn the undertaking business with an experienced partner. The latter became alarmed during the cholera scare in the early '40's. Mr. Winterbottom was sent to tell, and retired from the business. Since then Mr. Winterbottom had earned on the trade alone until his sons were old enough to assist him.

He arrived in America with one sardine and expense and his bride at a year. He was thrifty and prospered from the first. He took an active part in civic life, and for fifteen years was politically leader in the Spring street district, where his shop was located. He was a thirty-second degree Mason and treasurer of Scottish Rite Lodge for twenty-two years.

Mr. Winterbottom took up his residence in Nyack, New York, many years ago, and was village president from 1888 to 1897. His country place, Hillside, is one of the show places of Nyack. Until recently he came to New York each day to attend to his business, which included a large undertaking establishment at No. 520 Sixth avenue. Of eight children only one, Benjamin V. R. Winterbottom, survives.

SUPERSTITIONS OF FAMOUS MEN

What One Considered Lucky Another Viewed With Dread.

"All people have their blind side—their superstitions," said Emerson on one occasion. Of course, there are cynics who decide such an assertion; but even the strongest and most practical-minded men have some fear of the supernatural. Napoleon was a fatalist and superstitious, and made no secret of it. He believed in lucky and unlucky days, so did Cromwell, Byron, Wellington, Dickens and Sir Walter Scott.

Sir Frank Lockwood once accepted an invitation to dine with the Thirteenth Club, but at the last moment his courage failed him, and he wrote to be excused. George R. Sims received a similar invitation on one occasion. A day before the event, however, he wrote that, for the sake of the dogs, rats and horses dependent upon him, he dared not defy the fates. Lord Rosebery has a dread of seeing a dead hedgehog in his path, while even Mr. Gladstone had a superstitious belief that any new article of wearing apparel was bound to detract from the power of his speeches.

BYRON AND DICKENS. And it is curious to note how these superstitious beliefs differ. While Byron, for instance, held Friday in the most unqualified dread, Dickens regarded it as a very lucky day. Most people, however, have a prejudice against Friday. The feeling against commencing a voyage on that day is so strong that Friday is the lightest day of the week for the departure of vessels from our seaport towns, while in hospitals patients frequently hesitate about submitting to an operation on that day. In theatrical circles it is considered most unlucky to produce a new piece on a Friday, and all sorts of misfortunes were predicted when Augustin Daly flouted this tradition. But Friday was apparently Daly's lucky day, for he produced several successful plays on that day of the week. So has Edward Terry, who has said that his favorite day for producing plays is Friday.

And while talking about theatrical superstitions, one might mention that a saying current among actors is to the effect that if you change the name of a theater you change its luck. There are two instances of London theaters which bear this out. The Adelphi was for a short time known as the New Century Theater, during which period it experienced nothing but bad luck. Now it is back to its old name again things are different.

The enormous success of "The Private Secretary" was, according to theatrical superstition, due to a black cat. That play was a failure at the Prince of Wales' Theater, but when it was transferred to the notoriously unlucky Globe Theater a black cat walked across the stage, and all was happy and prosperous ever after. Amongst other stage superstitions the following are not, perhaps, without interest. It is lucky to meet a hunch-back in the theater, and to touch him on the first night ensures the success of the piece. It is also lucky to find cobwebs behind the scenes, but unlucky for an actor to whistle in a fellow-actor's dressing-room, or open an umbrella upon the stage.

TIMBER AND ELEPHANTS. This year's timber sales of the Congo Forest Department, Southern India, will include 35,500 cubic feet of various timbers, tenk accounting for about a third of the total quantity. The department also is disposing of nine elephants captured in the forests of the province during the current year. The province contains 1593 square miles only, but it abounds in fine timber and wild elephants and other big game.

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